

SIMPLY EXTRAORDINARY



Fifth-grader Sophie Reece holds a frying pan as she anticipates an egg dropping and breaking as Madison Holmes looks on.

STUDENTS TAKE A CRACK AT GOLDBERG-STYLE CONTRAPTIONS

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Rube Goldberg was a Pulitzer Prize winning cartoonist, sculptor and author fascinated with a notion that now lists his name as a concept of mechanical activity in dictionaries.

According to the Rube Goldberg website, he was best known for his inventions and, “Rube’s early years as an engineer formed his most acclaimed work.”

His devices became known as Rube Goldberg contraptions featuring “an elaborate set of arms, wheels, gears, handles, cups and rods, put in motion by balls, canary cages, pails, boots, bathtubs, paddles and live animals which takes a simple task and makes it extraordinarily complicated.”

On Wednesday, Melissa Walters’ fifth grade class at St. Patrick School in Maysville unveiled their “top secret” contraptions, each focused on a single task to break an egg.

“They watched the Purdue University Rube Goldberg competition,” Walters said. “We usually do an amusement park ride design for the lesson on simple machines. When they were asked

about doing that they said they wanted to do the Rube Goldberg project.”

Sacrificing eggs from her hen house, Walters and helpers discovered the creativity and ingenuity of each group of children.

“They spent a month working together in groups to come up with two designs that I could see, then working on getting one to work,” Walters said.

Even after a month of trial and error, success was just a marble or domino away for some of the mechanisms.

Shaking hands and shaking tables caused a few of the devices to have to be reset several times before a successful run was made, followed by rounds of cheers.

Even failed attempts were met with enthusiasm from classmates.

Hammers were favored as the final solution of several of the devices, though smashing the egg with a DVD case, flinging or forcing an egg to drop into a pan were also popular.

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MELISSA WALTERS, FIFTH-GRADE TEACHER

See MACHINES, A2



RIGHT: St. Patrick student Lizzie McKay reacts to an egg falling into a frying pan Wednesday.

Manchester council learns of real estate tax debt

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MANCHESTER, Ohio | Village council members learned Tuesday evening the village may owe the county thousands in back real estate taxes for the old Woolard school property.

Village Clerk Heidi Huron said the former mayor, Cornelia Dettmer had been in the process of applying for an exemption for the taxes.

But Huron was not sure of the outcome of the application or if Dettmer submitted the application.

Councilman Roy Carpenter, who acted as temporary mayor the last few weeks of Dettmer’s term in 2011, said the former mayor had not said related the issue to him.

Current Mayor Troy Jolly said it could take six months or even a year to get the problem resolved so the school can be sold.

In other business, council:

- Learned Manchester Police Department has collected \$13,857 in warrants for the first quarter in 2012, according to Chief Bruce Troutman. In March, Troutman took in \$3,069.50.

See DEBT, A2



RUSSELL POLLITT

IP looks ahead for Maysville mill location

FOLLOWING \$4.5 BILLION ACQUISITION OF TEMPLE-INLAND

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Although the name has changed at Temple-Inland, the Maysville mill’s future is on a solid course for the future.

That was the message during an interview with Marc Cates, Maysville mill manager and Tom Ryan, senior manager public relations for International Paper.

On Feb. 13, International Paper’s \$4.5 billion acquisition of corrugated packaging company Temple-Inland became official, and by Feb. 15, International Paper Chairman and CEO John Faraci was in Maysville for a visit to the local mill.

According to Cates, Faraci spent an hour with 91 of the 112 employees talking about where he expects the Temple-Inland operations to be as part of IP and how to make IP a better company.

Cates said Faraci also spent the time taking and answering questions from the employees during the visit.

One important message delivered to employees, and now to the public is that as IP sees it, the economy is riding on corrugated packaging and with the Maysville

See MILL, A2

Romney questions Obama’s candor on range of issues

ACCUSES OBAMA OF RUNNING A HIDE-AND-SEEK CAMPAIGN THAT KEEPS VOTERS IN THE DARK

DAVID ESPO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON | Republican presidential challenger Mitt Romney accused President Barack Obama on Wednesday of running a hide-and-seek election campaign that assumes what the voters don’t know about his plans for missile defense, Medicare and more “won’t hurt him.”

Delivering what amounted to a rebuttal from the same podium where Obama spoke a day earlier, the Republican nominee-in-waiting said remarks the president was recently heard making to Russian President Medvedev call “his candor into serious question.”

“What exactly does President Obama intend to do differently once he is no longer accountable to the voters?” he asked.

Obama was overheard telling Medvedev several days ago that he will have more flexibility in negotiating an arms treaty once he is re-elected.

Speaking to newspaper publishers and editors, Romney also said he was not ready to declare a position on proposed legislation to protect confidential sources relied on by journalists.

“Do I see a role for confidential sources? Yes. Do I ever see a time when a confidential source would have to be revealed? Yeah, I can see that, too,” he said.


Romney spoke one day after Obama delivered a scathing indictment of Republican economic policies in a speech to the annual meeting of The Associated Press.

In reply, the Republican challenger said Obama “criticized policies no one is proposing. It’s one of his favorite strategies — setting up straw men to distract from his record.”

Romney spoke to the Newspaper Association of America and the American Society of News

See CAMPAIGN, A2

TODAY




Mostly cloudy
H60s | L30s

YESTERDAY

High 81 | Low 64

FRIDAY




Sunny
H60s | L30s

YESTERDAY'S NORMAL

High 73 | Low 54

SATURDAY




Sunny
H60s | L40s

ONE YEAR AGO

High 65 | Low 44

SUNDAY



Partly cloudy
H60s | L40s


RECORD HIGH

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27/1975

MONDAY




Partly cloudy
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NEW




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APRIL 29

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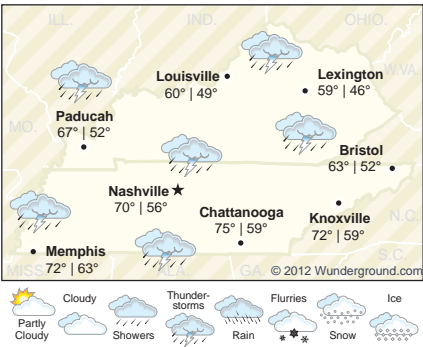


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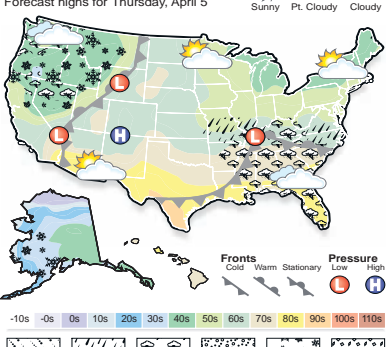


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SUNRISE: 7:20AM

SUNSET: 8:10PM






RIVER LEVEL

33.87 feet

National forecast

Forecast highs for Thursday, April 5



Thunderstorms Move Into The Southeast

Thunderstorms roll into the Southeast as low pressure pushes into the Tennessee Valley. Heavy rain is anticipated throughout Florida and Georgia. The Northwest will also see rain and high elevation snow.

CAMPAIGN

FROM A1

Editors on the morning after he swept to victory in three more primaries, in Wisconsin, Maryland and Washington, D.C.

His wins widened his delegate lead, but rival Rick Santorum said he wasn't bowing out. Instead, he urged voters in the next-up Pennsylvania primary to vote for "someone whose views are forged in steel, not on an Etch A Sketch."

Romney didn't mention Santorum on Tuesday night but sought to cast Obama as an "out of touch" liberal whose personal background is hostile to a free economy.

His remarks came just hours after Obama's combative campaign speech in Washington, in which

he attacked House Republicans' budget plan as "thinly veiled social Darwinism" that "is antithetical to our entire history as a land of opportunity and upward mobility for everybody who's willing to work for it."

Obama called it "a prescription for decline."

After his speech Wednesday, Romney planned to head to a campaign event in the Philadelphia suburbs. He was to campaign in the state Thursday as well.

Romney won at least 83 delegates in the three races Tuesday, with six yet to be allocated.

That pushed his total to 655 of the 1,144 needed to clinch the nomination. Santorum has 278 delegates, Newt Gingrich 135 and Ron Paul 51.

For Romney, an end of the contested primary campaign could hardly

come soon enough.

"I want to have our nominee start raising money, start organizing a national campaign and focus on President Obama and his agenda because this is time for us to start focusing on him rather than standing and focusing on one another in these primary contests," he told radio host Sean Hannity on Tuesday. "I think we've had, as of tonight, we will have had almost 35 or more state or territorial contests for the nomination. Maybe it's time to get going."

Obama has gained in the polls in recent months, particularly among women, as Republicans vie among themselves for support from a conservative party electorate. Santorum has devoted more time to social concerns — including birth control — than Romney, who has

generally stayed focused on economic issues.

Surveys indicate Americans are growing more optimistic about the overall state of the economy. Unemployment has fallen in recent months, but it is still at a relatively high 8.3 percent of the work force.

Already, the early outlines of a general election ad war are visible. Obama's re-election campaign is airing commercials in a half-dozen battleground states that accuse Romney of siding with Big Oil "for their tax breaks, attacking higher mileage standards and renewables."

The ads are a rapid response to \$3 million in commercials aired by an outside group, American Energy Alliance, blaming the president for rising gasoline prices.

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SEAN HANNITY, RADIO HOST

Republican nomination, Romney has collected endorsements from former President George H.W. Bush; Florida Sen. Marco Rubio, a tea party favor-

ite; and Rep. Paul Ryan of Wisconsin, author of a conservative budget that Republicans pushed through the House last week.

MILL

FROM A1

mill producing 500,000 tons of linerboard and corrugated medium annually, the Maysville mill produces the best quality (brown) paper and ranks as one of the safest in North America.

Corrugated packaging ranges from the box your new refrigerator, auto parts or electronic device is shipped in to the tennis shoes and beer cases you purchase, Ryan said.

Ryan also noted production of traditional office paper has declined in the United States, which has also driven the increased focus on corrugated product line. However, Ryan said office paper production has been increasing in countries such as India, Russia and South America and the company expects to see an increase in office paper production when the American economy rebounds.

"At International Paper, we make what matters," said Faraci in a press release. "The contain-

erboard that is made at the Maysville mill and is turned into boxes drives the economy in which we live each and every day. It carries the fresh protein to the local market, the nails to the hardware store and the flat screen TV to your neighbor's home."

"Our packaging products are used by some of the biggest brands in global commerce," said Derek Depuydt, manager at the Maysville mill. "Our 112 dedicated employees that work and live in the Maysville area contribute each and every day to the

success of International Paper and to the success of the local economy."

Cates said the Maysville mill operates with four teams of employees who cover three work shifts. The mill is making paper 95 percent of the time on a daily basis, which is one of the highest in the United States, Cates said.

Temple-Inland opened the Maysville location in 1992 and produced 800 tons of linerboard and corrugated medium per day at the time. Production has increased to 1,400 tons per day, and Cates cited the efficiency and knowledge of the employees as the reason why production has gone up, although reductions have been made to the number of employees over the years.

Immediate plans for the Maysville mill are to continue with its current production load and to maintain the current number of employees and outside

contractors at the mill.

Cates also noted the agreement with East Kentucky Power Cooperative's Spurlock Station to provide the mill with electricity and steam will remain intact. The company will also continue in its role as a community partner for programs, fund-raisers and events with a focus on children and education, Cates said.

"From my perspective, I know this is an exciting time for us to build on the resources available through International Paper," Cates said. It was also noted during the interview that cost savings will be realized for the Maysville mill from suppliers due to the buying power of being an IP mill, and local employees will be able to work with other IP employees to solve and improve operation problems, which has traditionally been handled by outside contractors for a fee.

International Paper is

headquartered in Memphis, Tenn., and has 17 containerboard mills around the world; 16 mills are in the United States. The Temple-Inland acquisition added seven mills to International Paper, but two will be divested under an agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice.

According to information provided by Ryan, the Maysville mill has a \$15 million impact on the local economy through wages, state and local taxes along with supplier impact. The average salary at the mill operation level is \$60,000 to \$70,000 per year.

International Paper exports in 2011 increased almost 2 percent over 2010; almost 23 percent of the product made in the U.S. last year was exported.

The company received the Prestigious Climate Leadership Award in March 2012, the first forest products company to receive the award.



MACHINES

FROM A1

"I am impressed," Walters said. "They really do understand machines better."

The projects were also

a lesson in re-purposing common items, from sections of Hot Wheel track to funnels, hose, pieces of boards and even a soldier toy, which once its task was done caused a hammer to smash a Florida Gater orange dyed egg as a dig to Walters, a trans-

planted Gater fan.

Every detail was thought out, including the presence of a water bottle to douse the flame which made one project ball begin to roll.

"I hope the sprinkler system does not go off," Walters said.

DEBT

FROM A1

His officers also wrote seven traffic tickets and five criminal citations in March, he reported.

The around-the-clock coverage by his department has made a difference, with fewer incidents of crimes, Troutman said.

- Authorized Buster Ruark, director of the street department, to purchase a used 350 Ford

(bucket) truck for \$6,000. The village's old truck will be up for bid, council agreed.

- Announced the annual village clean-up will be April 13 from 9 a.m. To 4 p.m. and April 14 from 9 a.m. To 2 p.m.
- Announced the annual Easter Parade will begin at 1:15 p.m., Saturday. Russell Pollitt, World War II veteran and fire chief will be the grand marshal this year.
- Learned Fire Chief Rick Bowman is in the process of installing solar

panels in the water and sewer treatment plants. He said the village will collect power from them, but at no cost to the village.

- Learned the parks and recreation committee is looking for fund-raising ideas to pay for an outdoor cinema system.
- Announced the events committee will meet April 9 at 7 p.m., to discuss possible events for the summer.

Carpenter said he would like the public to come and help make plans.

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MANCHESTER

BUILDINGS TORN DOWN
WITH GRANT FUNDSKAREN STEIN
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MANCHESTER, Ohio | Two abandoned homes that many called an eyesore are being torn down with the last of Adams County's stabilization grant money, according to Adams County Economic and Community Development.

Two properties, one at 517 Sixth Street, and the other at 306 Pike Street cost \$10,000 to tear down, said Holly Johnson, ACECD director. This was the last of the neighborhood stabilization grant from the Ohio Department of Development.

Johnson said she doesn't expect more money to be made available from that program. The county received \$350,000 in two phases in the last several years, used to tear down about 20 buildings located throughout the county.

The buildings fulfilled the requirements of the grant, which required that the structures were abandoned, and in

disrepair to the point of being a blight to the community, she said.

The former home at Pike Street, located next to the village's community building, was often a topic of conversation at council meetings because it became increasingly worse from neglect for the last few years, according to council reports.

The home had once been one of the grandest homes in Manchester when it was built in the late 19th century, according to Manchester Historical Society research.

It was owned by Dr. Carrigan, a popular doctor in the early 20th century, said Russell Pollitt, resident of Manchester. He said the doctor's office had been located in the upstairs of the Old Manchester Bank on Second Street.

"I remember going in Doc Carrigan's office when I was a little boy," Pollitt, 85, said. He prescribed that his father drink a bottle of beer a day to help him gain weight, he said.

KAREN STEIN, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT
The old Carrigan home, located at 306 Pike Street, was once one of the grander homes in Manchester.

In the last several years, the home deteriorated after the owner gave it to his attorney in lieu of fees, according to Police Chief Bruce Troutman.

Once a home is empty it becomes a target for thieves who take the copper pipes, police said.

Many homes have been gutted because of the destruction

by thieves ripping out the pipes and any other metal they think might have value, according to police.

Troutman said he would like to see the village pass an ordinance similar to the one Cincinnati passed that would discourage scrap metal business owners from purchasing the copper from thieves.

GEORGETOWN MAN
ARRESTED FOR ALLEGEDLY
SELLING HEROIN

GEORGETOWN, Ohio | As a result of an ongoing undercover drug investigation by the Brown County Sheriff's Office, a Georgetown man was charged Monday with allegedly selling heroin, according to BCSO reports.



GREG ROGERS

Gregory Rogers, 20, of Hamer Road, was charged with two counts of trafficking drugs, both fifth-degree felonies. He was allegedly selling heroin in and around the village of Georgetown, according to deputy reports.

Rogers was transported to Brown County Adult Detention Center. He is waiting to go before a grand jury, according to BCSO.

If anyone has information about illegal drug activity in Brown County contact the sheriff's drug information hotline: 937-378-4434, ext. 275. — **LI**

POLICE: METH LAB
SUSPECT DID NOT
KILL HIMSELF

FRANKFORT | Police say a preliminary autopsy has determined that the man killed in a meth lab bust in central Kentucky did not die of a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Kentucky State Police Trooper Norman Chaffins had said earlier it wasn't clear whether 46-year-old Brice T. Horne of Harned died Tuesday of a self-inflicted gunshot or one fired by a drug task force officer.

The officer, identified as retired state police Detective Scott McMichael, was placed on administrative leave pending an investigation.

Chaffins said Horne fled after officers went to an apartment on Kentucky 259 in Breckinridge County and saw materials that could be used to make methamphetamine. Officers gave chase to a nearby home, where McMichael confronted Horne. Police say Horne threatened to kill himself and fired his weapon. — **AP**

VOTES SUPPORT ALCOHOL
SALES AT BOONE TAVERN

BEREA | Residents in Berea have voted to support alcohol sales at the historic Boone Tavern Hotel & Restaurant.

The Lexington Herald-Leader reports unofficial results show the East Berea precinct voted 146-57 in favor of allowing by-the-glass sales at the 103-year-old site.

Berea Mayor Steve Connelly said the effort to get the measure on the ballot was a grassroots one. He said trustees at Berea College, which owns Boone Tavern, must still vote on whether to pursue alcohol sales. — **AP**

ROCKCASTLE VOTERS
REJECT PACKAGED LIQUOR

MOUNT VERNON | Voters in Rockcastle County have rejected a packaged liquor proposal.

According to the WYMT-TV in Hazard, a strong voter turnout resulted in a nearly 2-to-1 defeat in a referendum.

Unofficial returns showed 3,108 people voted against the liquor initiative while 1,712 voters cast ballots in favor of it. The referendum was one of several local liquor elections conducted recently in the commonwealth. — **AP**

FORMER AG
COMMISSIONER ENDS
UP WITH HOTEL POINTS

FRANKFORT | Records show former Agriculture Commissioner Richie Farmer received hotel reward points after hosting a convention at the Marriott Griffin Gate in Lexington.

The Southern Association of State Departments of Agriculture held its annual convention at the hotel in 2008 at a cost of almost \$80,000, which was divided between the organization and the Kentucky Agriculture Department. — **AP**

TERRY PRATHER, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT
ATTENTION GETTER | Balloons were released Wednesday in front of the Mason County Justice Center by area school children. The annual event calls attention to child abuse awareness.

Ohio execution can proceed, federal judge rules

ANDREW WELSH-HUGGINS
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio | Ohio's first execution in six months can proceed, a federal judge ruled Wednesday, saying it appears the state is serious about following its own lethal injection procedures.

The decision by U.S. District Judge Gregory Frost ends an unofficial moratorium dating to November, when members of the Ohio execution team devi-

ated from the official injection procedures when putting a Cleveland man to death.

The changes were minor — failing to properly check a box on a medical form, for example — but they angered Frost, who had previously criticized the state for failing to follow its rules.

The judge's decision followed a seven-day trial over the state's lethal injection process last month.

The ruling paves the way for

the April 18 execution of Mark Wiles for stabbing a 15-year-old boy to death during a farmhouse burglary.

Frost said Wednesday he is "admittedly skeptical" about Ohio's ability to carry the execution out properly, but said he's ruling in favor of the state, while warning officials to get it right.

"They must recognize the consequences that will ensue if they fail to succeed in conducting a constitutionally sound ex-

ecution of Wiles," Frost wrote.

A message was left with Wiles' attorney Wednesday.

In July, Frost scolded the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction for what he called haphazard and embarrassing deviations to its own rules.

In response, Ohio rewrote its policies and said it would follow them in the future.

See **EXECUTE**, A4Toledo casino site soon
ready for Ohio regulatorsOFFICIAL SAYS SLOT MACHINES
ALMOST FULLY INSTALLEDANN SANNER
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio | Slot machines are almost fully installed and table games have been delivered to Ohio's second casino, scheduled to open in late May in Toledo.

That was among updates heard by Ohio regulators Wednesday in Columbus as the state prepares for the openings of four voter-approved casinos in the next year or so.

Jeffrey Goodman, the vice president of casino operations for Hollywood Casino Toledo, told the Ohio Casino Control Commission that table games

should be set up by mid-month, and that slots would be ready for regulators to test around then, too.

More than 510 table and poker dealers have been trained, Goodman said, and surveillance equipment is now installed.

The casino is aiming to hold its grand opening May 29, but that date is pending approval from commission. Cleveland's casino is slated to open about two weeks earlier.

Voters in 2009 also approved casinos in Cincinnati and Columbus.

See **CASINO**, A4Appeals court upholds Ky.
bank robbery conviction56-YEAR PRISON SENTENCE OF
KENTUCKY MAN STILL VALIDBRETT BARROUQUERE
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE | The armed bank robbery conviction and 56-year prison sentence of Kentucky man is valid even though investigators used an "unduly suggestive" photo array to identify a suspect in the robbery of two banks in Bowling Green, a divided federal appeals court ruled Wednesday.

A three-judge panel from the U.S. 6th Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati found that while police showed to witnesses 54-year-old Richard Allen Washam's photo along with others that did not resemble him, the trial court properly held a hearing on the matter and concluded that witnesses had "sufficient opportunity" to see the robber and allowed the identification at trial.

"Rather than calling into question the reliability of these witnesses' far-more-immediate pretrial

See **CONVICT**, A4

HARDYMON, SAMPSON AND MA’S FURNITURE DONATE TO RADIO AUCTION



PROVIDED
ABOVE: Nick Teegarden, manager at Hardymon Lumber presented a gift certificate to Lion Joe Williams for the radio auction. LEFT: Lions member, Jim Rawlings accepts items from store owner, Rob Sampson for the radio auction. Sampson donated a oakwood cabinet, mattress, and a faux marble top table.

EXECUTE

FROM A3

With those changes in place, Frost allowed the execution of Reginald Brooks in November for killing his three sons in 1982. Following that execution, Frost again said the

state hadn’t followed its rules. He criticized Ohio for switching the official whose job it is to announce the start and finish times of the lethal injection and failing to properly document that the inmate’s medical chart was reviewed. Ohio argued the changes were minor deviations that

didn’t affect the state’s ability to properly execute inmates. The way Ohio puts inmates to death has been under scrutiny since 2009, when executioners tried unsuccessfully for nearly two hours to insert a needle into the veins of Romell Broom, sentenced to die for raping and killing a 14-year-old Cleveland girl. Then-Gov. Ted Strickland, a Democrat, eventually called the execution off, and Broom remains on death row, arguing in court filings that Ohio shouldn’t be allowed a second try at executing him.

Frost has never found Ohio’s execution process unconstitutional, meaning the delays have been based on technical questions about lethal injection.

Wiles, 49, had been out of prison on a previous aggravated robbery for less than a year on Aug. 7, 1985, when he killed 15-year-old Mark Klima, a straight-A student who wanted to be a doctor, in a Portage County farmhouse, according to Ohio Parole Board records.

Mark Klima, the son of Wiles’ employers, was found by two girls who were staying at the farm, according to the parole board. The knife in his back had been used to cut a birthday cake the day before.

A report by the parole board also said Wiles had suffered a head injury in a bar 12 days before the slaying, and a doctor testified that tests indicate he may have an injury to part of the brain that regulates impulse control. Another doctor agreed that Wiles has a brain injury and said he also has a substance abuse problem and personality disorder.

The parole board ruled unanimously March 23 against mercy for Wiles, saying he exploited the family’s kindness and his remorse didn’t outweigh the brutality of the crime.

Wiles’ defense team had argued he should be spared because he confessed to the crime, has shown extreme remorse and regret and has a good prison record.

Gov. John Kasich has the final say on mercy for Wiles.

MASON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

MARCH 9, 2012

- Erik Michael Cox, 33, third-degree burglary, two counts first-degree persistent felony offender, theft by unlawful taking, jury trial July 18.
- Ann Burch Marshall, 50, sentencing, three years concurrent, three counts first-degree trafficking controlled substance, tampering with physical evidence.
- Harvey Chase Napier, motion for shock probation, granted.
- Mary Rister, 54, motion for shock probation, under advisement.
- Charles David Pribble, 28, motion for shock probation, under advisement.
- Rheuben Porter Bluford II, 42, change of plea to guilty, sentencing April 13, flagrant non support.
- Michael Ryan Burns, 29, motion for shock probation, under advisement.
- Tyler S. Wallace, 21, sentencing, four years, two counts first-degree trafficking controlled substance.
- Barbara Jean Fite, 62, sentencing, two years, second-degree trafficking controlled substance.
- Zachary H. Watson, 18, sentencing, 10 years, first-degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking firearm, theft by unlawful taking farm equipment.
- Kevin E. Ginn, 45, second-degree trafficking controlled substance, sentencing, one year.
- Kara Beth Dudley, 34, jury trial July 18, first-degree fleeing/evading police, first-degree wanton endangerment, tampering with physical evidence, possession drug paraphernalia, speeding 18 mph over limit.
- Carmen Germany, 35, motion for shock probation, under advisement.
- Carmen M. Germany, 35, jury trial June 6, 7, manufacturing methamphetamine, three counts fourth-degree controlled substance endangerment to child, first-degree wanton endangerment,

- second-degree persistent felony offender.
- Isaac M. Spears, 20, motion for shock probation, granted.
- Kristin L. Lichtenberger, 21, sentencing, four years, probated five years, 21 counts second-degree criminal possession forged instrument.
- Vernon M. Boyd, 28, guilty plea entered, sentencing April 27, two counts, first-degree trafficking controlled substance second offense or greater.
- Adam Dion Zornes, 36, motion for shock probation, under advisement.
- Michael D. Boling, motion for shock probation, granted into rehab.
- Barry Kent Fields Jr., 27, motion for shock probation, under advisement.
- Natasha A. Bare, 20, motion for shock probation, under advisement.
- John B. Jones, 67, sentencing three years, two counts wanton endangerment police officer, DUI, disregarding stop sign.
- Kristopher Kelly Ramey, 36, sentencing, two years, probated five; first-degree fleeing/evading police, first-degree wanton endangerment/police, speeding 26 mph over limit.
- Walter A. Burch III, sentencing, 10 years; first-degree robbery, third-degree assault/police, resisting arrest, second-degree fleeing/evading police, third-degree terroristic threatening, second-degree persistent felony offender.
- Brett Jacare Commodore, 27, sentencing, five year, probated for five years; flagrant non support, second-degree persistent felony offender.
- Christina Claire Combs, 24, sentencing, three years; theft by failure to make required disposition of property.
- Benjamin A. Reeves, 20, motion for shock probation, under advisement.
- Steven D. Simmons, 19, probation revoked.



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CASINO

FROM A3

The commission on Wednesday reviewed the final steps leading up to the openings.

Each casino must do a test run several days before their grand openings, so that state regulators can get a simulated look at what a typical day might be like at the facilities.

Invited guests to the so-called controlled demonstrations could play the slots and table games and eat at the restaurants at the casinos. The winners would get to keep their earnings. The casinos would still have to pay the state 33 percent of gross earnings — defined as total amount wagered, minus winnings. And the rest of the casino’s net revenue from the demonstration would go to charity, said Matt Schuler, the commission’s executive director.

Background checks and licensing of employees and vendors is on track to meet the opening dates, Schuler said.

The commission on Wednesday approved

861 licenses for casino employees in Toledo and Cleveland. So far, they’ve signed off on almost 1,140 licenses. And on Thursday, a casino employee in Cleveland was expected to be presented with the first state-issued license.

The state is also ramping up its efforts to tackle potential gambling addictions in the state.

Laura Clemens, the commission’s point person on problem gambling, told the panel that 200 additional social workers, counselors and others have now received training to treat those who are have gambling issues or addictions.

Commissioners were updated on law enforcement and security at the casinos.

Two to four investigators from the Ohio attorney general’s office will be roaming the casinos at any given time of day. The gambling agents, who will be dressed in business-casual clothing and carry concealed guns, will keep an eye out for potential cheating and other problems.

They’ll have arresting authority for gambling-related crimes.

CONVICT

FROM A3

identifications, this case shows why pretrial identifications sometimes have greater evidentiary value than in-court identification,” Judge Jeffrey S. Sutton wrote. “Indeed, although they could not identify Washam in court, the two other witnesses testified they were confident about the identifications they made from the photo array at the time they made them.”

Judge Eric Clay dissented, saying evidence of the identifications and evidence of a similar bank robbery in Florence earlier in 2003 should have been excluded from the trial.

“In a case built on three pieces of evidence — two of which were, at best, largely inadmissible — I cannot agree that the jury verdicts were based on a fair trial,” Clay wrote.

Washam, who is being held in the United States Penitentiary-McCreary in Pine Knot, has repeatedly sent letters to the federal court in Louisville contesting his conviction on a variety of grounds.

“Defendant has suffered the injury of stigmatization and prejudice associated with racial discrimination in front of the supposed jury of his peers,” Washam wrote to the court in 2007.

A jury in 2006 convicted Washam of robbing a U.S. Bank in Bowling Green twice within a month three years earlier. The two robberies netted Washam a total of \$8,872. After the second robbery, a bank employee saw the robber drive away and wrote down part of the license plate.

Several weeks later, Washam robbed a PNC Bank in Florence, in northern Kentucky, but police caught him within minutes. Sutton wrote that Washam owned up to the robbery when interviewed by police. He later pleaded guilty to robbing the Florence bank.

Because of the similarities between the two robberies and descriptions of the robbers, the FBI showed a photo array containing Washam’s picture to witnesses from the Bowling Green robberies. Three witnesses, including two tellers confronted by the robber, identified Washam, picked Washam out of the photo array.

Sutton, joined by Judge Gilbert S. Merritt, said the trial judge was correct in allowing evidence of the Florence robbery at the trial about the Bowling Green robberies. The Florence robbery showed motive, because Washam told police he committed the crime to support a cocaine habit, Sutton wrote.

In both Florence and Bowling Green, the robber approached the tellers in a friendly manner, wore a dark blue wind breaker with a hood and held the gun in his left hand while taking the money with his right, Sutton wrote.

“All three robberies shared similarities, some of which could be called distinctive,” Sutton wrote.

Clay noted that the bank employees testified that Washam’s photo stood out in the photo lineup and that they selected him because he “looked like” the robber. Both prosecutors and defense attorneys agree that Washam’s photo was the only one in the photo lineup that “looked like” the robber, Clay wrote.

Clay also said the similarities between the Florence and Bowling Green robberies were “threadbare.”

“Undoubtedly, the FBI’s instinct that Washam may have committed other robberies prompted its investigation into him for the Bowling Green crimes,” Clay wrote, noting that, with a release date of 2061, Washam is likely serving a life sentence. “Accordingly, in a prosecution where the evidence was largely improperly admitted, I cannot simply rubber-stamp the verdicts and must respectfully dissent.”

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DEATHS ELSEWHERE

Sculptor Elizabeth Catlett dies

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Associated Press

MEXICO CITY | Sculptor and printmaker Elizabeth Catlett, a U.S. expatriate renowned for her dignified portrayals of African-American and Mexican women and who was barred from her home country for political activism during the McCarthy era, has died. She was 96.

Maria Antonieta Alvarez, Catlett's daughter-in-law, said the artist died Monday in a house in Cuernavaca, Mexico, where she had lived since 1976.

Born in Washington, D.C., Catlett moved to Mexico in 1946, became friends with great Mexican muralist Diego Rivera and others in his circle, and married Mexican artist Francisco Mora.

She became known for her commitment to winning greater rights for blacks, women and workers in the United States and her adopted country. Catlett witnessed almost every important artistic and social movement of the 20th century and traveled in some of the same illustrious circles as the great American artist Jacob Lawrence and poet Langston Hughes.

She was arrested during a railroad workers' protest in Mexico City in 1958 and in 1962 the U.S. State Department banned her from returning to the United States for nearly a decade because of her political affiliations.

Working in wood, stone and other natural materials, she produced simple, flowing sculptures of women, children and laborers, and prints of Mexicans and black Americans that she used to promote social justice.

Catlett, born on April 15, 1915, was raised by her mother, a teacher, because her father, who was also a teacher, had died little before she was born. She said she knew from age 6 that she wanted to be an artist.

She attended Howard University where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in art and then got her master's at the Univer-



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In this May 1, 2003 file photo, Sculptor Elizabeth Catlett stands in front of her "Invisible Man" sculpture in New York. Catlett's sculpture honoring acclaimed author Ralph Ellison was erected opposite his longtime home in West Harlem. The family of Catlett announced on Tuesday that she has died at her home in Cuernavaca, Mexico at age 96.

sity of Iowa where she was student of Grant Wood, painter of iconic "American Gothic." Wood told his young student to make art about what she knew best.

Catlett took his advice to heart and began making images of strong and beautiful black women, making signature issues of racial identity, family dynamics and social and political struggle.

Studying ceramics at the Art Institute of Chicago, she met her first husband, painter Charles White in the early 1940s.

Samella Lewis, author of a book about Catlett, was a student of hers around the same time at Dillard University in New Orleans who was inspired by her activism.

"It was my first time meeting a real aggressive woman in my life," Lewis said.

Lewis, who has a sculpture of Catlett made with wood from Senegal, recalled how the artist had pushed for her and her students to be let in an exhibit of cubist Pablo Picasso at a museum in a park where blacks were not allowed.

She said the artist helped her stay in school and got her a full scholarship to transfer to Hampton University in Virginia.

"My mom used to tell me 'you listen to Miss Catlett, because she knows what she is talking about,'" Lewis said.

In 1946, Catlett moved to Mexico City and met muralist Diego Rivera and other friends of him. Soon after, she joined a workshop of leftist printmakers and met her husband, Francisco Mora, who was also in the group.

The Mexican National Council for Culture and Arts said that throughout her career Catlett demonstrated "her interest in social justice and the rights of black and Mexican women."

With its formal beauty and universal themes, Catlett's artwork drew much of its dynamic form and emotional energy from her investigation of racial and ethnic identity.

Catlett says famed abolitionist Harriet Tubman and singer/civil rights advocate Paul Robeson inspired her.

residence of his son, Billy Wilson, on Monday April 2, 2012.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Deloris Mae Sosby Kitchen, who died June 2010.

Mr. Kitchen was born on April 8, 1933, in Maysville, to the late Mort and Tiny Robertson Kitchen.

He was a retired from Dravo where he worked as a mechanic. Zeke served his country in the Korean conflict earning three Bronze Stars and a Good Conduct Medal. He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson around town.

Survivors include four sons, Gary Wilson of Hudson, Mich., Billy (Juanita) Wilson and Terry Kitchen of Maysville, and Pastor Donnie Earl Kitchen of Georgia; one daughter, Debbie Wilson of Georgia; six grandchildren, Gary Wilson II, Jason, Chris and Sara Wilson, Billie Jo Fultz and Aaron Kitchen; two step-grandchildren, David and Meagan Coomer; and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by brothers, Willie and James Kitchen; and sisters, Annabelle Moran, Gladys Tolle and Grace Simms.

Services for Mort "Zeke" Kitchen Jr. will be held at 2 p.m., on Friday, April 6, 2012, at Brell and Son Funeral Home.

Burial will follow in the Charleston Bottoms Cemetery with full military honors provided by Maysville VFW Post 2734.

Visitation will be from noon until the time of the

service on Friday at the funeral home.

Condolences at www.brellandson.com.

MR. STOUT

MANCHESTER, Ohio | Elwood "Woody" A Stout, 91, of Manchester, died at his home Tuesday, April 3, 2012.

He was born in Stout, Ohio, on July 4, 1920, to the late James and Gertrude Moore Stout.

He was a World War II Army veteran and a retired captain for the Ohio River Company.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Carol Lewis Stout who died March 25, 2012.

He is survived by one son, Wilbur Stout of Brunswick, Ga.; four daughters, Marcella (Karl) Ralston of Bellbrook, Ohio, Phyllis (Charles) Roysse of Marion, Ind., Angelia Stout Reynolds of Ripley, Ohio, and Lisa Stout of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; and numerous grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 7, 2012, at Wilson Home for Funerals. Rev Flynn Rodgers will be officiating.

Burial will follow at the Manchester Cemetery. Military services will be provided by the Adams County Honor Guard.

Visitation will be Saturday from noon until the time of the services.

Friends and family may sign an online guestbook at www.wilsonhomeforfunerals.com.

Swedish Cold War spy Bertil Stroberg dies at 79

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MALIN RISING
Associated Press

STOCKHOLM | Bertil Stroberg, a former Swedish air force officer who was convicted of spying for Poland during the Cold War but always maintained his innocence, has died. He was 79.

Stroberg's wife, Marianne Stroberg, said Wednesday he died in Stockholm on March 25 following a yearlong battle against cancer.

Stroberg was sentenced to six years in prison for spying in 1983, but released on parole after serving three years.

The key evidence in his case was a letter the prosecution said he had written to the Polish embassy offering to sell military secrets. Handwriting experts failed to link the letter to Stroberg.

The letter was signed Sven Roland Larsson and asked that money be sent in that name to the Central Post Office. Stroberg was arrested in 1983 when he went to the post office to collect Larsson's mail.

The court rejected the officer's claim that he was the unwitting victim of a conspiracy and that he had picked up the letter as a favor for an acquaintance.

After a 2009 documentary presented new information about the case, Stroberg requested a retrial, but Sweden's Supreme Court dismissed the request in October 2011.

Marianne Stroberg said her husband was very disappointed by that decision.

"It was as if he lost all his powers then," she told The Associated Press.

FUNERAL SERVICES

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Charles Lee McAtee — 11 a.m., Metcalfe-Hennessey Funeral Home, Augusta.
Savannah Wallingford — 2 p.m., Moore and Parker Funeral Home, Augusta.

FRIDAY

Roger Gibbs — 2 p.m., Knox and Brothers Funeral Home, Maysville.
Mort Kitchen Jr. — 2 p.m., Brell and Son, Maysville.

Betty Jean Norman — 11 a.m., Showalter-Blackwell and Long Funeral Home in Connersville, Ind.
Dorothy Irene Vermillion — 1 p.m., Mount Tabor Cemetery, Mount Tabor.
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Stroberg is survived by Marianne, two children and four grandchildren. His wife said the funeral would be private.

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DEATHS LOCALLY

MR. GIBBS

MAYSVILLE | Roger Franklin Gibbs, 69, of East Fifth Street, died Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at the UK Medical Center in Lexington.

Mr. Gibbs formerly worked at the Sportsman's Club and was an avid UK Fan.

He was born in Maysville, on Jan. 5, 1943, the son of the late Harvey and Gertrude Commodore Gibbs.

He is survived by his daughter, Elizabeth Gibbs of Augusta; three sons, Roger F. Gibbs, Jr. of Maysville, Jeffrey Gibbs of Louisville and Kendall Franklin of Cincinnati; 15 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of family and friends.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, John Harvey Gibbs; three sisters, Mary Eva Gibbs, Lillian Gibbs and one sister in infancy; and two grandchildren.

Services for Roger Gibbs will be held at the Knox and Brothers Funeral Home at 2 p.m., Friday, April 6, 2012, with Pastor Elizabeth Smith officiating.

Burial will be in the Green Acres Cemetery.

Visitation will be held at the funeral home on Friday from noon until the hour of the service.

Guestbook at knox-brothersfuneralhome.com.

MR. KITCHEN

MAYSVILLE | Mort "Zeke" Kitchen, Jr., 78, of Rogers Road, died at the

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Third annual Farm and Family Night held

The third annual Farm and Family Night held March 13, on the Maysville Campus of Maysville Community and Technical College proved to be a delightful evening for the entire family. Nearly 500 guests attended the free event hosted by MCTC Workforce Solutions, UK Cooperative Extension Service, Ohio State University Extension, and the Buffalo Trace Green Council.

“We appreciate all of those who joined us,” said Barbara Campbell of MCTC’s Workforce Solutions. “We extend a very special thank you to our sponsors, vendors, and speakers who made the program a success.”

Following a locally produced barbecue dinner catered by Phil Day Catering, guests enjoyed more than 40 sessions addressing a range of topics, including Cattle Management,

Conservation, GPS, Technology for Farm Use, Viticulture, Equine, Horticulture, Cooking, and Energy Savings. Zumbatonics and Healthy Snacks, and Robotics in Farming workshops were geared toward youth.

“The participants, many of which were new this year, truly seemed to enjoy the learning sessions,” said Fleming County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences Donna

Fryman. “They were all eager to learn.”

“We greatly appreciate all of the farming families who made this event possible,” said Dennis Perry, MCTC Adult Agriculture instructor.

Over 30 exhibitors were featured with grand prize drawings for a 32” inch flat screen TV and a Nook Tablet.

Farm and Family Night was made possible by the generous support of

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History’s lesson relating to corn planting this spring

JEFF SMITH
Fleming County
Extension Office

The warm temperatures have everything running a little ahead of schedule this year. Nick Roy, UK Extension agent, has reported that some wheat in Adair County will be ready to chop for silage (boot stage) in about two weeks. Rye is usually ahead of wheat by a week or two.

Recent history says we’ve seen something like this before, according to Dr.

Chad Lee, UK Grain Crops specialist. In 2007, daily maximum air temperatures in Mayfield, were above 70 degrees (Fahrenheit) from March 22 to April 3. During that same period, the lows didn’t go below 50 degrees. Then, the bottom fell out. From April 5-10, the lows did not get above 20 degrees. Corn planted the last two weeks of March emerged in less than seven days, grew rapidly and was no match for the cold weather. Farmers replanted 100,000 acres

or more of corn that year. There is no way to predict if 2012 will be a repeat of 2007. The calendars have been wrong before. But, the odds are in favor of another freeze event. Would it be a big enough freeze event to cause severe damage to young corn seedlings? That is the gamble. I overheard a conversation where one farmer said he was going fishing until the first of April.

That may be the best advice. Enjoy the nice weather, but respect the calendar.

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Small phone companies to sell iPhone at discount

PETER SVENSSON
Associated Press

NEW YORK | A group of small, regional cell-phone companies announced Wednesday that they’re going to start selling the iPhone, at prices that undercut the big carriers.

NTelos Wireless of Virginia; Appalachian Wireless of Kentucky; and Alaska Communications, Matanuska Telephone Association and GCI of Alaska all said they will begin selling the iPhone on April 20.

Cellcom of Wisconsin told WSAW, a Wausau TV station, that it would be part of the launch. Cellcom didn’t return messages left by The Associated Press.

With the exception of Matanuska, the companies said they will charge \$150 for the basic 4S model.

That’s \$49 less than what AT&T, Verizon and Sprint charge.

A two-year service contract is required.

Matanuska didn’t say how much it would charge for the phone.

Another small regional phone company, Mississippi-based C Spire Wireless, started selling the iPhone last year.

A bigger regional company, U.S. Cellular, has said it turned down the iPhone because it was too expensive.

Phone companies subsidize the iPhone, which costs about \$600 wholesale.

Selling it means shouldering a big upfront cost.

Ntelos Chief Financial Officer Stebbins Chandor said the phone would start paying off in 2014.

Ntelos CEO James Hyde said it needed the iPhone to fill a gap in its smartphone lineup and compete with other carriers.

In the first quarter, the company lost about 5,000 subscribers from its contract-based plans, which are the most lucrative, while adding subscribers to cheaper prepaid services.

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AT&T Inc	NY	1.76	5.6	48	81.57	+1.4	+4.4			
AMD	NY	12	7.81	-1.7	+44.6			
AlcatelLuc	NY	2.19	-1.3	+7.0			
Alcoa	NY	1.2	1.2	14	9.81	-2.5	+13.4			
Altria	NY	1.64	5.3	19	31.11	+0.2	+4.9			
AEP	NY	1.88	4.9	10	38.58	-2.0	-6.6			
AmmittGrp	NY	...	...	3	32.32	+1.65	+40.2			
Apple Inc	Nasd	10.60	1.7	18	624.31	-5.01	+54.2			
ApplMall	Nasd	36	3.0	10	12.06	-1.8	+2.6			
Ashland	NY	7.0	1.1	12	62.02	-1.17	+8.5			
Atmel	Nasd	...	...	14	9.35	-3.0	+15.4			
BP PLC	NY	1.92	4.4	6	43.33	-1.18	+1.4			
BkoAm	NY	0.4	4	...	9.20	-2.9	+65.5			
Bar IPVix	NY	...	...	17.48	+3.8	-50.8				
BrownFB	NY	1.40	1.7	21	84.59	+6.9	+5.1			
CSX s	NY	4.8	2.1	13	22.49	+3.4	+6.8			
Cemex	NY	...	...	7.43	-2.0	+43.4				
Chevron	NY	3.24	3.1	8	105.80	-1.54	-4.2			
CincoBell	NY	...	...	16	3.93	-1.3	+29.7			
Cisco	Nasd	32	1.6	16	20.36	-4.6	+13.0			
Citigrps	NY	0.4	1	9	35.04	-1.33	+33.2			
CocaCola	NY	2.04	2.8	20	73.46	-3.0	+5.0			
DR Horton	NY	1.5	1.0	38	14.31	-5.2	+13.5			
Deere	NY	1.84	2.3	12	81.21	-5.4	+5.0			
DirSCBear	NY	...	...	...	18.23	+8.7	-31.2			
DirFBear	NY	...	...	...	21.30	+8.6	-43.0			
DirSCBull	NY	...	...	...	60.30	-3.15	+34.5			
DukeEngy	NY	1.00	4.7	17	21.19	+0.5	-3.7			
EMC Cp	NY	...	...	29.18	-6.7	+35.5				
EmersonEI	NY	1.60	3.1	16	51.36	-4.2	+10.2			
ExxonMbl	NY	1.88	2.2	10	84.98	-8.5	+3			
FiltrThrd	Nasd	32	2.2	12	14.48	-1.1	+13.8			
FordM	NY	2.0	1.6	7	12.51	-1.4	+16.2			
FrontierCm	Nasd	40	9.2	26	4.37	+0.8	+15.1			
Gap	NY	5.0	1.9	17	26.85	-6.0	+43.7			
GenElec	NY	6.8	3.4	16	19.74	-2.2	+10.2			
GileadSci	Nasd	...	...	13	47.19	-9.1	+45.3			
Goodyear	NY	9	11.07	-1.3	+21.9			
Griffin	NY	0.8	8	...	10.20	-1.9	+11.7			
Humana	NY	1.00	1.1	11	90.81	-1.9	+3.7			
IBM	NY	30.33	-1.33	+21.2			
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Intel	Nasd	84	3.0	12	27.93	-1.8	+15.2			
IBM	NY	3.00	1.5	16	206.05	-3.45	+21.1			
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Johnson & Johnson	NY	2.0	2.7	10	44.41	-1.01	-2.3			
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KeyCorp	NY	12	1.4	8	8.28	-1.0	-12.0			
Kinross g	NY	16	1.7	...	9.24	-4.3	-46.5			
Kroger	NY	46	2.0	25	23.54	-1.1	-4.7			
LeeEnt h	NY	1.16	-0.6	-51.6			
LifePac	NY	12	12.49	-0.56			
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Lincoln	NY	15	3	...	46.71	-0.5	-1.1			
MktGvld	NY	1.16	-0.6	-51.6			
McNids	NY	2.80	2.9	18	97.48	-1.92	-2.0			
MicroT	Nasd	7.66	-3.3	-43.1			
Microsoft	Nasd	80	2.6	11	31.21	-7.3	-23.4			
Microsoft	NY	20	1.1	18	16.89	-68	-40.2			
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NorickAp	NY	1.26	24.9	...	5.07	-2.4	-47.6			
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Oracle	Nasd	24	8	15	29.16	-23.3	-78.8			
Permy	NY	80	2.2	22	35.66	-4.0	-11.2			
PepsiCo	NY	2.06	3.1	16	66.34	-2.2	-3.3			
Pitzer	NY	88	3.9	18	22.39	-1.6	-7.1			
PhilpMor	NY	3.08	3.4	18	89.49	+5.1	+5.7			
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PremFin	Nasd	10	7.75	+0.5			
PRUSHSPG	NY	15.27	-3.0	-19.6			
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RegionsFin	NY	04	6	38	64.7	-1.8	-2.8			
RschMotn	Nasd	4	12.76	-2.5	-19.6			
ReynAerm	NY	2.24	5.4	...	17.14	-0.5	-2.9			
RiteAid	NY	...	...	...	1.71	-0.4	-23.2			
ROBERTS	NY	2.64	1.9	13	134.00	-1.7	-1.3			
Sandisk	Nasd	...	...	...	11	44.51	-5.4			
SandRdge	NY	...	...	...	60	7.74	-4.0			
Schwab	NY	24	1.7	20	14.47	-2.9	-20.0			
SearsHdgs	Nasd	33	...	...	63.02	-5.04	-7.9			
SiriusXM	Nasd	...	...	...	18	2.29	-0.4			
SiriusXM	NY	...	...	...	12	11.47	-1.2			
SPDR FndI	NY	22	1.4	...	15.58	-2.5	-16.1			
Suprval	NY	35	6.5	...	5.39	-0.9	-16.7			
Textron	NY	08	3	36	28.38	-51	-17.8			
US Bancpr	NY	78	2.5	13	31.31	-28	-8.9			
UnivCpC	NY	26	4.3	14	40.40	-1	-2.5			
UnivCpC	NY	15	2.9	11	22.91	-1.7	-7.4			
VerizonCm	NY	2.00	5.2	45	38.39	-0.7	-1.8			
WellPoint	NY	1.59	2.6	13	60.26	-39	-64.4			
WellPoint	NY	1.15	1.6	10	72.12	-5.2	-7.2			
WellsFargo	NY	88	26	12	33.88	-60	-17.7			
Wendys Co	Nasd	08	1.6	...	5.00	-0.6	-12.0			
Yahoo	Nasd	...	...	...	19	15.27	+0.9			

Stock Footnotes: g = Dividends and earnings in Canadian dollars. h = Does not meet continued-listing standards. Is = Late listing for NY. New in past 52 weeks. p = Preferred. Res = Resale. Nasd has undergone a reverse stock split of at least 20 percent within the past year. NY = New York Stock Exchange.



Predicting MLB winners a difficult chore

It is spring once again, when a man's thoughts turn to...

Baseball?

Well, yes, at least for the purposes of this column anyway.



CHUCK
HAMILTON

Spring may also bring to mind thoughts of love, renewal, hope, rebirth and hopefully warm temperatures but it also means the beginning of another baseball season.

There is a lot of hope when it comes to the prospects of the favorite big league team in this area, the Cincinnati Reds.

I picked the Reds last year to make it to the World Series but we all know they fell woefully short.

Now that it's time to consult my crystal ball and make this year's MLB prognostications, it's difficult not to pick against the Reds to at least make the playoffs but I am not so sure about them repeating the performance of the 1990 club and bringing home the world championship trophy.

I do feel they will be in the hunt and will get past St. Louis and win the NL Central, with the Cardinals being one of the now two Wild Card entrants from the National League.

Cincinnati should have an excellent season if they can avoid any more serious injuries, such as the loss of newly acquired closer Ryan Madson going down for the year in spring training.

See PICKS, A8

LEWIS COUNTY 5, MASON COUNTY 1 Lions' first home homer beats Royals

THOMPSON GRAND
SLAM THE DIFFERENCE

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VANCEBURG | Lewis County coach Keith Prater told Nick Thompson not to try to be a hero in his fourth-inning bases-loaded at-bat, down a run against Mason County on Wednesday.

What followed, oddly enough, was Lewis' first home run in its 2-year-old ballpark, which was enough to push the Lions past the Royals 5-1.

Each team only mustered four hits. However, three of the Lions' knocks were for extra bases, including Thompson's grand slam.

Lewis (7-2) won its fourth straight game as the Lions drew six walks, while Sammy Holder, making a spot start, issued zero free passes and struck out six Royals.

Connor Osborne scored the lone Mason (3-5-1) run. Daulton Mason started on the hill for the Royals and was strong through three innings before Lewis' big fourth frame.

Bryce Gardner was 2-for-2 at the dish for the Royals. Connor Owens posted the same line for the Lions.

The game was briefly delayed by rain and much of it contained a steady drizzle.

Mason, coming off an 8-8 tie in nine innings which ended due to darkness at Nicholas County on Tuesday, scored first in its first at-bat.

See LEWIS, A8

Tolle following football passion to European pro league

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Jackson Tolle is one of those guys who grew up with a goal of playing professional football.

The Mason County alum and ex-Georgetown College performer has willed himself and put in the hours and sweat to achieve that goal after signing a contract to play for the Starnberg Argonauts in Germany.

He knows it will take more hard work to be successful on that level and says he's ready for that challenge.

"My hard work and determination is what I want to take over there," Tolle said in a Tuesday phone interview. "I want to go over there and show them

everything I've learned here from third grade to finishing college in football. I want to take my hard work and passion for the game and just the love of the game over there, show 'em how much I love to play and how fun the game really is."

Tolle, who played defensive end at Georgetown and defensive end, linebacker and tight end for the Royals, was signed as a middle linebacker with the Argonauts, "with the possibility of playing some fullback," he said.

He is one of three former Royals who have gone on to play some form of pro football.

See TOLLE, A9



TERRY PRATHER, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT

In this 2009 file photo, De'Sarae Chambers prepares to inbound the ball in a game against Xavier. Chambers, Mason County's all-time leading scorer, is St. Patrick's new girls' basketball coach, it was announced Wednesday.

Lady Saints hire Chambers as new girls' coach

MASON'S ALL-TIME LEADING
SCORER, SOON-TO-BE DAYTON ALUM

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St. Patrick's search for a new girls' basketball coach ended with a woman who made her name just a couple of blocks away as a player at Mason County's downtown gym.

De'Sarae Chambers, Mason's all-time leading scorer who just completed her final season of eligibility at the University of Dayton, was confirmed late Tuesday evening and announced Wednesday as the Lady Saints' new coach, their 10th in school history.

Chambers, 22, doesn't even graduate from Dayton on May 6, she said, and knows she'll be viewed as a very young coach. But she's playing up her youth, recent college experience and personality as positives.

"I'm right out of college, I know how everything works, and I have the mentality to where I can help everybody," Chambers said by phone Wednesday. "I'm a really helping, nurturing type of person, and I'm very positive, and they can see everything that I've (gone) through and I'm going

to experience that with them, and I'm gonna let them know so they can know how to work harder and get better."

St. Patrick athletic director Dusty Schultz also views Chambers' youth as an asset.

"Some of the qualities that I think she brings (are) enthusiasm, she obviously brings in some youth with her, she probably knows the game as well as anybody and I think she'll be fine at teaching the game," Schultz said Wednesday. "Like I said, she's young, she's enthusiastic, and she's excited about the opportunity to get into coaching. And I think with the combination of those three things, I think she'll be very successful."

Chambers scored 2,967 points in her Lady Royals career, topping Chris Lofton by 204 points for the most scored by any Mason player, and she was the Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches' 10th Region player of the year in her senior season, when she averaged 21.7 points a game.

See SAINTS, A8

REDS, 1B VOTTO CONFIRM NEW DEAL

CINCINNATI | Joey Votto has agreed to the biggest contract in Reds history, a 10-year deal worth more than \$200 million that could keep him in Cincinnati for the rest of his career.

The former NL Most Valuable Player had two years left on his previous deal. The Reds approached him about an extension in the offseason and worked out final details Wednesday, a day before the season opener against the Miami Marlins.

The reworked deal runs through 2013, with a club option through 2014.

The 28-year-old first baseman led the Reds to the NL Central title in 2010, when he won the MVP award. He agreed to a three-year deal after the season rather than a longer-term contract.

Votto batted .309 with 28 homers and 103 RBI last season. — AP

SULLINGER GIVES UP LAST 2 OSU YEARS FOR NBA

COLUMBUS, Ohio | Two-time Ohio State All-American forward Jared Sullinger is moving on to the NBA.

The 6-foot-9 sophomore announced on Wednesday that he is giving up his final two seasons with the Buckeyes to make himself available for the NBA draft on June 28.

Sullinger averaged 17.5 points and 9.2 rebounds a game while shooting 52 percent from the field, 77 percent at the line and 40 percent on 3-pointers while leading the Buckeyes to a 31-8 record and a Final Four berth.

Deshaun Thomas, a 6-7 sophomore at Ohio State, is also considering the NBA.

— AP

CARDS SPOIL MARLINS' DEBUT IN NEW BALLPARK, 4-1

MIAMI | Kyle Lohse didn't allow a hit until the seventh inning and pitched into the eighth Wednesday night to help the World Series champion St. Louis Cardinals spoil the Miami Marlins' debut in their new ballpark, 4-1.

The Marlins' new animated home-run sculpture never bugged. It was the fourth inning before they managed a baserunner, and but the time they scored in the eighth, they trailed 4-0.

The crowd of 36,601 included newly retired Cardinals manager Tony La Russa, who quietly rooted for his former team from the press box. Lohse went 7 1/3 innings, allowing only two hits and one run.

David Freese, the World Series MVP, had a two-run single in the first inning to give Lohse the cushion he needed. — AP

PAYNE: NO COMMENT ON MEMBERSHIP ISSUES AT MASTERS

AUGUSTA, Ga. | The chairman of Augusta National repeatedly refused to discuss the issue of someday allowing a woman to become a member at the home of the Masters.

During his annual news conference Wednesday, Billy Payne held to the club's traditional policy of not commenting on membership issues.

Asked to expand, Payne said: "Number one, we don't talk about our private deliberations. Number two, we especially don't talk about them when a named candidate is part of the question."

He did not specifically say that new IBM chief executive Virginia Rometty was the "named candidate," though the debate over women at Augusta has been reignited by her hiring at IBM in January.

IBM is a longtime corporate sponsor of the Masters. Its last four CEOs have been invited to be members.

— AP



Jackson Tolle is shown making a tackle as a member of the Georgetown Tigers. Tolle has signed a contract to play professional football in Germany.

PROVIDED

LEWIS

FROM A7

Osborne reached on a fielder's choice, stole second base and came home on a Lions error when third base was uncovered on another steal attempt.

The Royals got three more runners into scoring position the rest of the night but came up empty.

Lewis, meanwhile, couldn't even get a runner to second until it loaded the bases in the fourth inning via a trio of walks — to

Owens to lead off and then with two out to Corey Davis and Cory Christy.

Royals assistant coach Tracy King then made a trip to the mound to visit with Mason, while Prater held a powwow with Thompson.

"I called Nick over to me and I said, 'Nick, don't be heroic here. Put the ball in play, see what happens,'" Prater said. "And I said, 'He's struggling. You're probably gonna see a fastball right down the middle,' and sure enough, first pitch, he jacked it, and what a way to get us going."

Thompson's shot just inside the left-field foul pole cleared the 305-foot sign for the Lions' first home long ball in a couple of years and the first grand slam at the new facility.

Mason coach Tom Posey acknowledged afterward, "That's baseball."

"They made a crucial hit at the time they needed it and did a good job, but we've just gotta get better," he said. "We've just all around gotta get better. We're getting there, it's just taking some time. Baseball knowledge is the big thing and just trying to get better

every day we play."

The Lions played tack-on one frame later when pinch hitter Grant Liles led off with a walk and came home on a Royals throwing error, setting the final margin at 5-1.

Prater was glad to see his team continuing to gain confidence and pull out a victory against the school from the neighboring county.

"Any win's a quality win, but it's a big border war," he said. "I think our kids press a little bit when Mason County comes to town because they're friends

with these kids and they know each other outside of the ballfield and outside of school, and we put a little bit of pressure on ourselves, and we didn't play our best, but we were still able to come through and win.

"And for us to go deep into the region like our goal is, that's what we're gonna have to do. There's gonna be days we're not on but finding a way to win's big. It's good. The kids found a little bit of pride in 'em tonight and it seems like they're pretty proud to wear that Lewis County

jersey."

The Lions travel to Bracken County today, hoping to avenge a 5-3 home loss last week. Mason also plays today at Harrison County, which beat the Royals 10-0 March 22.

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Lewis County 000 410 x-5 4 4
WP: Holder. **LP:** Mason.
Hitting leaders: **MC** — B. Gardner 2-2, Scillely 1-3, SB; Brown 1-3; Osborne R, SB.
LC — Thompson 1-3, 4 RBI, R, HR; Owens 2-2, R, 2B, BB; Clark 1-3, 2B; C. Davis R, 3 BB; Christy R, BB; G. Liles R, BB.
Records: Mason County 3-5-1, Lewis County 7-2.

SAINTS

FROM A7

She then went to Dayton, where she missed much of her senior year due to injury, but the Flyers reached the NCAA tournament in each of her final three seasons.

The Lady Saints were 16-15 in the 2011-2012 campaign, after which coach Elaine Douglas resigned.

The Lady Saints graduate four seniors from that team and figure to have some rebuilding to do, but that hasn't dampened Chambers' enthusiasm.

"I just want to build the program up," she said. "I know it's gonna be a rebuilding year (but) ... I want to surprise everybody and push the program to what they really expect, and actually I'm trying to go for winning the district

(and) I would really love to make it all the way through the region also. I just want to see what we can do."

She brings some familiarity with the 39th District and the 10th Region, although she concedes the local landscape has changed "a lot" since her 2008 graduation.

"I've been watching a little bit just from people that I know that played on the teams before," she said. "It has changed, but I do know some of the things that are going on just because I have been watching, and I'm pretty familiar with everything and I also here lately have just been researching everything and just seeing what all I can possibly do to help our team to be stronger."

Schultz, who called Chambers' application "kind of a pleasant surprise," added her local renown can't hurt.

"I think with her being

as successful as she was at Mason County and well-known, I think most of the girls if they don't know her personally have heard of her or watched her play," he said, "so I think those qualifications that she brings, plus the stuff behind the scenes that she also has, I think is a bonus for us."

Chambers knows not all of her players will necessarily look to play collegiately as she did, but can provide insight for those who might.

"I kind of want to run this as a college program so they can see how everything is going, like me being fresh out of college," she said. "I would love for them to see that experience."

The new coach called her basketball philosophy "defensive-minded," pointing out the old axiom that defense wins games.

She wants to institute a

fast-paced style.

"I want to be a run-and-gun team," Chambers said. "I want to push the pace a lot, we're definitely gonna get in really good shape and I want to just run on people. I feel like it's the best way to do it, like that's how we did it here at Dayton and it worked pretty well for us.

"Defensively, I'm gonna be a pressure person ... I want them to be up into (opposing) players so hard they can't even breathe."

She steps into a district situation where Bracken County has won the last two tournament titles, the Lady Royals got their feet under them late in the season and a young Augusta squad also improved as the year went on. Lady Bears coach Patrick Kelsch said by email Wednesday he "would like to wish coach Chambers the best of luck and welcome her to the 39th District."

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TENNIS Mason County at Rowan County	
TRACK AND FIELD New Richmond Invitational, 4	
SOFTBALL Mason County at Lewis County, 5:30	

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THIS DAY IN SPORTS

APRIL 5
1915 — Jess Willard beats Jack Johnson in the 26th round to win the world heavyweight boxing title in Havana, Cuba.
1927 — Johnny Weissmuller breaks his own 200-meter freestyle record by 7 seconds in 2:08. He also lowers his own record in the 100-yard freestyle to 51 seconds, a record that stood for 17 years.
1952 — Henry Wittenberg wins the 191-pound AAU wrestling title for the eighth time. Wittenberg won over 350 bouts in 13 years, earning a gold medal in the 1948 Olympics.
1959 — Art Wall birdies five of the last six holes to cap a final-round 66 and edge Fred Hawkins by one stroke to win the Masters.
1967 — Wilt Chamberlain sets an NBA record with 41 rebounds to lead the Philadelphia 76ers to a 115-104 victory over the Boston Celtics and a 3-0 lead in the Eastern Division playoffs.
1972 — For the first time in history, Major League Baseball fails to open because of a general player strike, which started April 1 and would be settled April 13.
1984 — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar hits a sky hook with 8:53 left to play in the Los Angeles Lakers' 129-115 victory over the Utah Jazz to become the NBA's top career scorer. Wilt Chamberlain, with 31,419 points, held the record since his retiring in 1973.
1992 — Stanford, led by junior guard Molly Goodenbour, wins its second women's basketball championship with a 78-62 victory over Western Kentucky.
1993 — Donald Williams scores 25 points to lead North Carolina to a 77-71 win over Michigan in the NCAA championship.

1997 — Bruce Baumgartner wins a record eighth World Cup wrestling gold medal, beating David Musulbes 2-1 in overtime at 275 1/2 pounds as the United States routs Russia 25-7.
2002 — New Jersey's Martin Brodeur becomes the first goalie in NHL history to post six straight 35-win seasons after stopping 14 shots in a 3-1 win over Atlanta.
2004 — Led by 24 points from Emeka Okafor and 21 from Ben Gordon, the Connecticut Huskies outclass Georgia Tech 82-73 to win the men's national championship.
2006 — New Jersey reaches 40 wins for the ninth straight season after beating Pittsburgh 6-4. The Devils join Montreal and Boston as the only NHL franchises to accomplish the feat.
2008 — The Boston Celtics sets an NBA record for biggest single-season turnaround with a 101-78 win over the Charlotte Bobcats. The Celtics improve to 61-15, 37 more wins than last season.
2008 — Memphis beats UCLA 78-63 in the NCAA men's semifinals to become, at 38-1, the winningest team ever in a single season. Kansas' Brandon Rush scores 25 points as the Jayhawks stun North Carolina 84-66 in the second semifinal.
2009 — Brittany Lincicome sinks a 6-foot eagle putt on No. 18 to win the Kraft Nabisco Championship, capturing her first victory in a major.
2010 — Duke wins its fourth men's basketball NCAA championship by holding off Butler 61-59.
2011 — Danielle Adams scores 22 of her 30 points in a dominating second half to help Texas A&M win its first NCAA women's basketball championship with a thrilling 76-70 victory over Notre Dame.

SPORTS CALENDAR

FOOTBALL
Sign-ups for Tiger Football (grades 1-4 in Mason, Bracken and Robertson counties) will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following days: April 7 at the Bracken County Public Library in Brooksville, May 5 at the Augusta boat dock and May 19 at the Germantown pavilion. A golf scramble will be held April 28, beginning at 8 a.m. at Kenton Station. For more information, call Angela Yelton at 606-782-0270.
GOLF
The Laurel Oaks Golf Course Ladies' League kicks off its season April 12 with a potluck at 6 p.m. at Laurel Oaks. There is no cost to attend. The Lewisburg-Millcreek Lions Club Golf Scramble is Saturday, April 14 at 8 a.m. at Kenton Station Golf Course. Cost \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members. For more information, call the course at 606-759-7154, Frank Lorton at 606-759-0787 or Don Turney at 606-301-3672.
SOFTBALL
A men's softball league is now forming in Augusta. Games will be played on Fridays beginning May 25. Entry fee is \$200 per team; deadline is May 18. For more information, call Mark Kiskaden at 606-402-0896.

REDS OPTION FRAZIER TO MINORS, SET ROSTER

CINCINNATI | The Reds optioned utility player Todd Frazier to Triple-A Louisville on Wednesday, setting their roster at the 25-player limit for opening day.

Cincinnati needed to open a spot for right-handed reliever Alfredo Simon, who was claimed off waivers from Baltimore a day earlier. Simon goes into a bullpen depleted by injuries.

The Reds made several anticipated moves, placing closer Ryan Madson on the 60-day disabled list with a torn elbow ligament and right-hander Nick Masset on the 15-day disabled list with an inflamed pitching shoulder. The Reds open at home on Thursday against the Miami Marlins. — AP

PICKS

FROM A7

The loss of Madson leaves a definite question mark in the closer spot for the Reds but another winter acquisition, lefty Sean Marshall, could emerge as a very good closer.

If not, there are others in the mix who could adequately fill the role; after all, the Cardinals won a title last year utilizing a closer-by-committee platoon in their pen.

The Reds' will likely see a boost in production from the outfield positions and looks to be one of the best in the league.

Look for increased numbers from Jay Bruce, Drew Stubbs and Ryan Ludwick this year.

The team's veterans

(Joey Votto, Brandon Phillips and Scott Rolen) are solid and dependable so it may come down to youngsters Zack Cozart and Devin Mesoraco to produce to put the Reds over the hump.

The crystal ball says the Atlanta Braves overtake the Phillies this season as the NL East champs and don't be surprised if the Washington Nationals don't make a strong run for a Wild Card spot.

The Nationals are an up-and-coming team with a lot of young talent but they are still a year or two away from contending.

There has been a lot of buzz surrounding the Miami Marlins after hiring talkative Ozzie Guillen as their new manager and spending a boatload of money on free agents but I just don't see their pitching being good enough to be a consistent winner this year.

The Arizona Diamondbacks are my pick to take the NL West, with the San Francisco Giants finishing second and claiming the second Wild Card.

Both teams should fight it out for the division title all year in the weakest division in baseball.

The Reds will advance to the NLCS but fall to the Giants, sending San Francisco to the World Series.

In the much stronger American League, the AL East is as good as always, with four legitimately outstanding clubs residing in the division. I'm going with Tampa Bay and taking the Yankees as one of the Wild Card entrants.

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MEYER'S REACTION MIXED TO FIRST BUCKEYES WORKOUTS

COLUMBUS, Ohio | Five practices into his tenure at Ohio State, coach Urban Meyer is both impressed with some things he's seen and also realizes the



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Buckeyes have a long way to go.

Meyer, speaking Wednesday after his first week of spring workouts, says there are bright spots such as defensive lineman John Simon and quarterback Braxton Miller, but problem areas like the offensive line and a lack of big-time playmakers.

Ohio State is coming off a miserable 6-7 season which ended with a four-game losing skid. But the Buckeyes return nine starters defense and seven on offense.

Meyer, who took over for interim coach Luke Fickell who is now back as a defensive coordinator, says it's normal for teams to go through growing pains, particularly with a new offense.

— AP

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Votto's big payday sets up Reds' opening day

JOE KAY
Associated Press

CINCINNATI | Former Reds infielder Doug Flynn remembers opening day 1975, when he sidled up next to Pete Rose by the dugout railing and checked out the capacity crowd at Riverfront Stadium.

His first opening day in Cincinnati was one of his best.

"I was in the big leagues," Flynn said, standing in the dugout at Great American Ball Park. "I was so pumped up!

"You remember the good ones, and the bad ones." Flynn's team started on its way to a World Series championship in 1975. The current Reds have reason to think they could be a contender as well when they get started against the Miami Marlins on Thursday.

They've already had their first big payday.

First baseman Joey Votto agreed to a contract on Wednesday that added 10 years and \$225 million while keeping him under contract through 2023 and makes him the face of the franchise. Fans will get their first chance to recognize the long-term commitment during pregame introductions.

"It means a lot not only for the franchise but also for the city," manager Dusty Baker said. "It means kids can grow up emulating him and pretending to be Joey Votto."

The Reds won't be the only big spenders on the field.

The Marlins changed their name, moved into a new ballpark and spent \$191 million to acquire NL batting champion Jose Reyes, left-hander Mark Buehrle and closer Heath Bell in the offseason. They also hired manager Ozzie Guillen to oversee the on-field transition.

After opening their new ballpark against the defending World Series champion St. Louis Cardinals on Wednesday night, the Marlins were looking forward to getting into a routine in Cincinnati.

"Get out of here and relax a little," Guillen said. "The last couple of days have been a lot crazy. There has been a lot going on. I felt like I was in the World Se-



ASSOCIATED PRESS

This March 31 file photo shows Cincinnati's Joey Votto in action against the San Francisco Giants during a spring training game in Scottsdale, Ariz.

ries again a little bit."

After their game on Thursday, the Reds and Marlins have a day off before getting back into a more normal schedule.

"I think everybody is going to look forward to getting on the flight and getting to Cincinnati, especially with that off day," said Buehrle, who goes against right-hander Johnny Cueto in the opener.

First, they'll get to experience one of baseball's most traditional openers. Baseball's first professional team gets to open at home each year, and turns the day into a spring holiday complete with a downtown parade — former Reds third baseman Aaron Boone is this year's grand marshal — and children skipping school.

Shortstop Zack Cozart is in line to become the Reds' first rookie shortstop to start a season opener since Frank Duffy in 1971.

"It's something that coming up as a baseball player — ever since I was 6 years old — you dream of it," Cozart said. "And it's finally happening for me. I'm excited for me. I'm also excited for this team. We

believe we're just as good as anybody."

He's got about 10 relatives coming up from Tennessee, and they've researched the history of opening day in Cincinnati so they can fully appreciate it.

"A lot of family wanted to know what the festivities were so they can get in and do the stuff as much as anybody," he said. "They know it's going to be a fun time."

Third baseman Scott Rolen turned 37 years old on Wednesday and is approaching the final year on his contract, making this opening day a little extra special. He acknowledged he'll be nervous at the start of the game.

Rolen, who had surgery on his left shoulder in August, feels good as the start of his third full season with Cincinnati.

"I'm comfortable with my health and my shoulder and where it is," he said. "Going through spring training, five days in I wasn't sure what was going to happen. I was healthy all the way through."

Everybody feels good on opening day.

Baylor hopes to keep perfection going next year

AFTER FIRST 40-0 SEASON IN NCAA HISTORY

DOUG FEINBERG
Associated Press

DENVER | Brittney Griner had barely cut down the championship net when Baylor coach Kim Mulkey began talking about a possible repeat.

With the 6-foot-8 superstar coming back for her senior year and the other four starters returning, the Lady Bears will be the heavy favorite to repeat as champions if not go unbeaten for a second straight year.

"You're making me embrace it now instead of letting me enjoy this," Mulkey said. "Yes, we have everybody back that plays a majority of the minutes. We'll embrace it, you guys aren't going to let me hide it."

Mulkey would like nothing better than to get back to the Final Four, which will take place in her home state of Louisiana next year.

"If we lose two, three, four, five and we go 30 and 10 I don't care, I want to be in New Orleans," she said. "That's my home state, and I won't have enough tickets for family, but I'll do something to get them in the arena. But that's what we want, another national championship."

Griner was dominant in leading Baylor to the national championship. She had 26 points, 13 rebounds and five blocks to lead the Lady Bears to an easy 80-61 victory over Notre Dame in the championship game, capping an unparalleled 40-0 season for the Lady Bears.

"National championship, I wanted this because this is what our team wanted and this is what we promised coach when we got here," Griner said.

Now she has a chance to join a rare group of superstars who have won two titles. While there has been talk that Griner could go to the WNBA next year, she's emphatically said she will return for her senior season.

"All I know is I'm coming back, for sure I'm coming back," Griner said. "I'm going to be right here. I'm waiting for our first team meeting to see what coach has for us."

Whatever Mulkey dreams up, all eyes will be on Griner, who was The Associated Press player of the year and the most outstanding player of the NCAA tournament. The overpowering player with the 88-inch wingspan dunked twice in the tournament, matching Candace Parker for most dunks by a woman in NCAA tournament play and during a



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Baylor center Brittney Griner (42) collides with Notre Dame forward Devereaux Peters (14) and Notre Dame guard Brittany Mallory (22) closes in during the second half of the Bears' Final Four championship victory in Denver on Tuesday.

college career (seven).

Also back will be gifted guard Odyssey Sims, who scored 19 against Notre Dame, and players including Destiny Williams, Brooklyn Pope and Jordan Madden.

The mantra for the Lady Bears all season long had been "Unfinished Business." When the game ended, Griner ripped up a sign that a Baylor cheerleader was holding with those two words on it.

Baylor will have to find new inspiration next season. Maybe "Repeat" might work.

Baylor became the seventh women's team to run through a season unbeaten and the first in NCAA history to win 40 games. It was the second national championship for Baylor, which also won a title in 2005.

"Looking back when we get older, I'm always going to remember this moment, always going to

remember confetti falling and being here with my team," Griner said.

She might get another chance again next year. Notre Dame, which has lost in the finals two straight years, loses a strong senior core. They still have talented guard Skylar Diggins, who led the team with 20 points.

Stanford also takes a hit with the loss of Nnemkadi Oguumike to graduation. UConn may pose the biggest challenge to a Baylor repeat. The Huskies return most of their team that made it to the Final Four for the fifth straight year. They also add a talented freshman class.

Before Baylor has to worry about that, they can focus on a trip to the White House. The Lady Bears' victory gave President Barack Obama some bragging rights. He correctly picked Baylor to beat Notre Dame in the title game.

TOLLE

FROM A7

Harry Lewis, now a Mason assistant, played some indoor ball, and Richie Cox is now playing indoor ball in Cincinnati, Mason coach David Buchanan said.

Buchanan also commented on Tolle's work ethic and other intangibles he views as advantages entering the pro football community.

"He's a very hard worker, had a great motor, played very, very hard, super nice young man," Buchanan said. "Yes sir, no sir' kinda guy, and not only was he a good football player, but he was a great ambassador for your program. We've had him back to speak to the young kids like at recruit night, things like that. He's definitely the kind of guy that you like representing your football program and your community."

Tolle has been preparing for this opportunity over the past couple of years, working with his father Rodney and Mason baseball coach Tom Posey, who said he began working with Tolle in fifth grade, to set up an Internet profile at europlayers.com and send film out to prospective employers.

Now that the formalities are dealt with, Tolle is turning his attention to working through other off-the-field incidents. He said with a laugh he doesn't know how to speak German, but is set up to live with a seven-year veteran of the team and expects to be able to handle the cultural transition.

"The coach, I talked to him, he's American, and he told me that they're very understanding and you can pick up on the little things," he said. "As long as you try, they're willing to help you. It's not too hard. There's a little language barrier but it usually

ends up working fine."

And Tolle, who leaves April 23 with the season set to begin May 3, is excited about getting down to the business of making it happen on the gridiron.

"(The housemate) said it's a fun league," Tolle said. "Everybody in the community's really laid-back and they really love the football."

And — maybe — he can catch the eyes of scouts and coaches for a step or two higher back in North America.

"My goals for myself are to get my name out to other teams and show other teams that I can play," Tolle said. "CFL, maybe NFL is possible, and just get my name out there, get some film out there and show 'em just because I'm 6-foot-2 doesn't mean I'm not as good as the big 6-4 guy that plays middle linebacker, and I strive to be one of the best players over there and stand out and bring that back hopefully."





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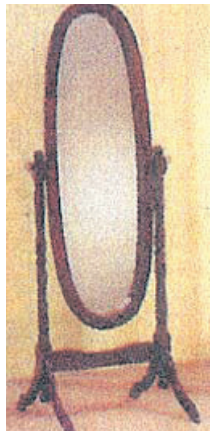
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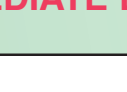
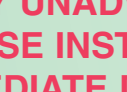
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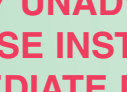
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Swinson exhibit at Augusta Art Guild

AUGUSTA | Well-known and much loved regional artist Ken Swinson has been exploring different ways to express himself and his love for rural Kentucky ever since moving to the small, historic town of Augusta 11 years ago.

His early work included clay

pots and sculptures created with local clay, plein air landscapes, and whimsical farm scenes. In more recent years, Ken has been delving into the art of printmaking inspired by Harlan Hubbard, a Kentucky artist and writer famous for his self-sufficient lifestyle on the Ohio River. A multi-

faceted artist, Ken also works in digital media and has been combining his traditional prints with modern technology to create animations. His one-man show at the Augusta Art Guild, "Old Meets New: Traditional Print-making + Digital Media" will be a showcase of his traditional prints

with this modern twist.

The exhibit will take place at the Augusta Art Guild Gallery, 116 Main Street in Augusta, from April 6 to April 23. The gallery will be open every weekend from 1-4 p.m. There will be an Opening Reception on Friday, April 6 from 6-8 p.m.

Follow this link to learn more about the exhibit <http://youtu.be/dP3kfYinMsA>. For more information, visit www.AugustaArtGuild.com, Or contact Leah Frederick, leah@leahfderick.com, P.O. Box 32, Augusta, KY 41002, 606.756.2996, 513.289.9800.

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Interactive exhibits include: Native Americans, the First Nations of North America with Russ Ward. This exhibit will demonstrate a variety of historical artifacts, discussions and literacy information on the First Nations of North America, in particular those of tribes that were, and still are, residents of this region. Spirituality and culture will be presented in a variety of displays demonstrating the strength and perseverance of these unique and beautiful cultures and their people.

Indian with Terry Sriniwasan. This exhibit will offer a "glimpse" at the Indian culture with samples of fabric, clothing, artistry, and pictures of the different areas of the country.

There will also be a culinary treat; samples of authentic chai (spiced tea), and behl puri (common snack food) to give your taste buds a wonderful surprise.

Hispanic with Lora Puente. This exhibit will focus on culture, religion, food, and traditions in Mexico. You will observe clothing from indigenous backgrounds and pictures of different traditions that take place. You will also learn about religion and what part it plays to the Mexican culture as well as enjoy music and treats to sample.

NAACP with Pastor Randy Taylor. Stop by this exhibit to learn the 100 year history of the NAACP and about the human and civil rights movements.

Spirit Drums with Joan Brannon. This exhibit will share the rich West African cultural traditions of drumming. She will also share the history and experience of women drummers. There will be some hands on experiences for the community. This drumming experience will give this community the opportunity to experience pure JOY.

Kentucky Organ Donor Association with Amber McGuire. The need for organ and tissue donation grows more crucial each day. Minority communities are especially affected.

See CULTURE, B2



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Tincher performs "The Clancy Brothers and Bob Dylan" at FCPL

FLEMINGSBURG | When you hear the name Bob Dylan, there is probably a memory or a favorite song that you associate with this iconic performer.

March 19, 1962 was the date Bob Dylan's first album was released and the self-titled album, consisting of 11 folk standard and two original songs was not considered very successful and only sold 5,000 copies the first year. By the time Dylan's second album was released in May 1963, he had begun to make his name as both a singer and a songwriter and many of his most famous songs are considered protest songs.

In an interview, he revealed that "Blowin' in the Wind" was written in 10 minutes, but

it is probably the most famous protest song ever written and recorded.

To mark the 50th anniversary of Bob Dylan's introduction to American pop culture, Fleming County Public Library has invited Robert Tincher to perform his one man show "The Clancy Brothers and Bob Dylan" on Thursday, April 12.

A resident of Lexington, Tincher has been called one of our finest interpreters of folk songs from Scotland and Ireland, two nations important to Kentucky's musical heritage. In "The Clancy Brothers and Bob Dylan" he will take listeners back to New York City and Greenwich Village at the height of the early 1960's Folk Music Revival



PROVIDED

and pay tribute to the late Liam Clancy (one of the members of the influential Irish singing group The Clancy Brothers) and to singer-songwriter Bob Dylan.

Clancy and Dylan were close friends and Dylan based several of his own songs on melodies and themes that he borrowed from The Clancy Brothers.

Tincher compares these songs and uses historical information and excerpts from Clancy's and Dylan's autobiographies to celebrate their long friendship and to explore The Clancys' influence on Dylan's early songwriting.

In November 2010 a crowd of more than 80 people witnessed Robert Tincher's first appearance at FCPL so this new presentation is highly anticipated. If you are a fan of Bob Dylan or just have a love for traditional Irish music, you will want to join us at 7 p.m., on Thursday, April 12. There is no admission fee and handicapped accommodations are available.

For more information, please call Fleming County Public Library at 606-845-7851.

Final Civil War sesquicentennial program at MCPL

Dr. James Shires will portray Mason County native and Civil War Confederate General Albert Sidney Johnston during the final Civil War sesquicentennial program at the Mason County Public Library.

Born in Washington, Al-bert Sidney Johnston attended Transylvania University before graduating from the U.S. Military Academy in 1826. At the outbreak of the Civil War, Johnston resigned his U.S. military commission and joined the Confederacy. In the Confederate army, Johnston was appointed by Confederate President Jefferson Davis as a general in charge of the Western department.

On April 6, 1862, Johnston won the battle of Shiloh, but was killed in the conflict.

Shires will provide a first person portrayal of the general so the audience will experience his life and time on this 150th anniversary of his final triumph. The presentation is the final episode in the sesquicentennial series and will take place on Saturday April 7, at 2 p.m., at Mason County Public Library. This program is free and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 606-564-3286.

HAPPENINGS - UPTOWN AND THE CORNER

- Opening Reception Ken Swinson art exhibit, April 6, 6-8 p.m., Augusta Art Guild, Main Street, Augusta.
- Civil War Series Confederate Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston, April 7, 2 p.m., Mason County Public Library, Maysville.
- Robert Tincher concert "The Clancy Brothers and Bob Dylan," April 12, 7 p.m., Fleming County Public Library, Flemingsburg.
- Kentucky Gateway Museum Center Members' Appreciation Reception, April 13, 5-7 p.m., KGMC, Maysville.
- Fathead Davis at Chandler's on Market, April 13, Maysville.
- Quilt Show sponsored by Adams County Homemakers, April 14, 1-5 p.m.; antique bed turning at 3 p.m., Stone Chapel Church, West Union, Ohio.
- Freedom Celebration: A Multi-Cultural Experience, April 17, 6 p.m., Maysville Community and Technical College, Maysville.

See UPTOWN, B2



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TODAY

RELAY FOR LIFE BAKE SALE — Downtown, main branch of Bank of Maysville, 8 a.m.

RELAY FOR LIFE BAKE SALE — Meadowview Regional Hospital, 9 a.m., front lobby.

MAYSVILLE LIONS CLUB AUCTION — 6:30 p.m., tune in to WFTM radio, call in those bids, at 564-9208. Proceeds go to community groups.

CANCER FIGHTERS UNITED — 5:30 p.m., Resource Room open, and meeting at 6:30 p.m., for cancer survivors, families and friends. Highland Christian Church, West on AA Highway and turn left on old Kentucky 10 close to the Germantown Fairgrounds.

MAYSVILLE CONFERENCE CENTER — 7:30 p.m., Jehovah's Witnesses gather to commemorate Jesus' death. Open to the public. 24 East Second Street, Maysville.

MASON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS — Commodity Day, meals served at 11:45 a.m.

SCARLETT O'HATTERS — Lunch, Tea Room, Apple Barn, Mount Sterling, leave Brooksville at 10 a.m.

MASON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — Preschool Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.

RELAY FOR LIFE BAKE SALE — Bank of Maysville, Main Branch, 8 a.m.

QUARTER AUCTION BENEFIT — 6:30 p.m., Mason County Middle School., sponsored by the Mason County Alumni Association, for scholarship fund, eight vendors and lots of prizes.

ADAMS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT — Immunization Clinic, 1-4 p.m.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. SCHOLARSHIP — Applications now available in counselor's office at Mason County and St. Patrick schools. Applications must be completed and submitted by April 11.

OUTGOING WORKING LADIES CLUB — 5:30 p.m., Bob Evans.

MASON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — eBook Club, 4:30 p.m.

ABERDEEN CONCERNED CITIZENS — 6:30 p.m., Milano's Restaurant.

FRIDAY

MAYSVILLE LIONS CLUB AUCTION — 6:30 p.m., tune in to WFTM radio, call in those bids, at 564-9208. Proceeds go to community groups.

MASON COUNTY SENIOR

CITIZENS — Good Friday Brunch, and center closes at noon.

SPRING BAKE SALE — People's Bank Main Branch, 9 a.m. Sponsored by the Fleming County Extension Homemakers.

MAYSVILLE CITY OFFICES — Closed today for Good Friday.

KENTUCKY UTILITIES — Closed all day for Good Friday.

GOOD FRIDAY CLOSINGS — Closing at noon, Mason County offices: Sheriff, PVA, Circuit Clerk, County Clerk, Treasurer, Garbage Collection Office, County Judge. Recycling open 7-11 and Maysville-Mason County Landfill open, regular hours.

SATURDAY

MAYSVILLE LIONS CLUB AUCTION — 6:30 p.m., tune in to WFTM radio, call in those bids, at 564-9208. Proceeds go to community groups.

ABERDEEN EASTER EGG HUNT — 11 a.m., Aberdeen Green Space.

ADAMS COUNTY DEMOCRAT CLUB — 7-9 p.m., potluck, at Venture Production, West Union.

EASTER EGG HUNT — 2 p.m., VFW Post 2734, AA Highway, behind water park.

MASON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — Featured program with Dr. James Shires as Albert Sidney Johnston. Come enjoy a bit of Kentucky and Mason County history.

ALEX'S GOLDEN ANGEL — Bake Sale, Wal-Mart, 9 a.m.

MONDAY

MASON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS — Brown Sisters to entertain, meals served at 11:45 a.m.

MASON COUNTY 4-H — Food-A-Rama, 7 p.m., Mason County Extension Office.

MANCHESTER LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION — 5:30 p.m., Manchester High School, review personnel issues, and board policies.

LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — 10 a.m., story time, games and stories. Located at 27 Third Street, Vanceburg.

ABERDEEN VILLAGE COUNCIL — Special meeting, 7:30 p.m., for general purpose, in council chambers, city municipal building.

TUESDAY

MASON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS — Meals served at 11:45 a.m.

BEECHWOOD HOMEMAKERS — 11 a.m., Mason County Extension Office.

BUFFALO TRAIL WATER ASSOCIATION — Annual meeting, elect two directors and other business. To be held at 2 p.m. at the Buffalo Trail office.

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE — Advisory Council meeting, 5 p.m., Mason County Extension Office.

MASON COUNTY FARMERS MARKET MEETING — 6 p.m., Mason County Extension Office.

TAKING OWNERSHIP OF YOUR DIABETES — Seminar, 10 a.m., Mason County Extension Office, free to the public.

FAMILY AND CONSUMER COUNCIL — 5 p.m., Mason County Extension Office.

FLEMING COUNTY FISCAL COURT — 9 a.m., Fleming County Courthouse.

NAMI SUPPORT GROUP — 6 p.m., Mason County Public Library.

FLEMING COUNTY PROJECT DEVELOPMENT BOARD --5 p.m., Fleming County Public Library.

MCTC OPEN HOUSE — 4-6 p.m., college tour, questions and answers, door prizes, refreshments, call 606-759-7141 est. 66209 for information.

Drawings for DVD player, Digital Camera, iPod, Computer, DVR/VCR are for new prospective students only, current students are eligible for other prizes.

ROTARY CLUB MEETING — 11:45 a.m., lunch, speaker Jack Lundy, GSE trip to Normandy, France.

MCTC MICROSOFT WORD 2010 — April 10 — May 1, 6-8 p.m., Maysville Campus.

MASON COUNTY CONCERT CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA — Advance tickets for "Annie Get You Gun," Auditorium Box Office, 5:30-5:30 p.m. Play will be April 20, 21 and 22. Tickets are \$15. at Mason County High School, phone 564-3393. All tickets \$15.00.

WEDNESDAY

MASON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS — Senior Bake Sale, Donna Graley, blood pressure check at 10 — 11 a.m., and lunch at 11:45 a.m.

MASON COUNTY MEN'S CLUB — Breakfast at 9 a.m., French Quarters, speaker, Ron Bailey.

MAY'S LICK HOMEMAKERS — 10:30 a.m., deSha's Restaurant.

MANCHESTER LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION —

Regular session, 6:30 p.m., Manchester High School.

MASON COUNTY EXTENSION BOARD — Board meeting at 6 p.m., light meal, and council meeting at 7 p.m.

MASON COUNT DISTRICT BOARD AND COUNTY EXTENSION COUNCIL MEMBERS — 6 p.m., meeting and dinner at 7 p.m. at the extension office.

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

MASON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS — Meals served at 11:45 a.m.

THE CLANCY BROTHERS AND BOB DYLAN — In concert, 7-8 p.m., Fleming County Public Library, no admission, handicapped accessible.

MASON AND ROBERTSON COUNTIES 4-H — Livestock Clubs, May's Lick Mill, nutrition lesson.

ADAMS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT — Immunization Clinic, 1-4 p.m.

BLUE LICKS FARMERS MARKET — GAP training, free, 6 p.m., Nicholas County Extension Office. Call 859-289-2312 for information. This is for those who have no prior GAP training.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

MASON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS — PACS NOW, Eat Smart, Live Strong: Colorful and Classic Favorites, Session 3, Nutrition Program. Meals served at 11:45 a.m.

KENTUCKY GATEWAY MUSEUM CENTER — Member's Appreciation Reception, 5-7 p.m.

GOLDEN BURLEY CHAPTER OF NARFE — Noon, deSha's Restaurant, speaker, Rev. Norman Wasson.

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

MASON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROM — 6:30 p.m. — 8 p.m., walk in, students to get in SUV's at Highland Christian School and shuttled to Limestone Center, parents are to ride a shuttle from Mason County High School to Limestone Center at 6:30 — 8 p.m. only.

CRUISE IN DOWNTOWN AUGUSTA — 6-10 p.m., at Parkview Inn, sponsored by the Rotary Club.

GEORGETOWN AMERICAN LEGION — Pancake Breakfast, 8-11 a.m., eggs, biscuit, gravy, pancakes, all you can eat, adults \$5:50 and kids under 12, \$2.50. Carry out available. Located at 1011 South Main

Street, Georgetown, Ohio.

ANNUAL QUILT SHOW — 1-5 p.m., and at 3 p.m., Quilt turning, at Stone Chapel Church, 89 Tresz Road, West Union, Ohio. Call 937-544-3438 for more information.

MCTC REAL ESTATE UPDATES — 9 a.m. — 4 p.m., Maysville Campus.

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

TAKING OWNERSHIP OF YOUR DIABETES — 10 a.m., Mason County Extension Office, free diabetes education.

MAYSVILLE ROTARY CLUB — 6:30 evening meeting, clean up and cookout.

TRAINING ON "CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT" — Child Abuse and Neglect and Its Trumatic Effects on Children," 3:30-5:30 p.m., at Mason County Intermediate School, 720 Clark's Run Road, CEU's for social workers, call Anthony Thomas at 859-497-3800 to register.

MCTC WRITING GRANTS — Noon, Maysville Campus.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

MASON COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT — 7 p.m., district office, old Washington.

BROWN COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES — 4:30 p.m., board joining Ethics committee follow by board meeting., at the Habilitation Center, Georgetown, Ohio.

MCTC CPR — Classes, 4-8 pm., Maysville Campus.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

SILVER PAGES BOOK CLUB — 1:30 p.m., Mason County Extension Office, book is "The Diary" by Goodge.

ADAMS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT — Immunization Clinic, 1-4 p.m.

MAYSVILLE PLAYERS PRESENT — Comedy "Noises Off," 7 p.m., Washington Opera House, 7 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays, Sundays at 2 p.m. Thursday, april 19 pay what you will. Make reservations by calling 564-3666.

BLUE LICK'S FARMERS MARKET MEETING — 6 p.m., Blue Licks State Park, all members and potential members should try to attend.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

MASON COUNTY CONCERT CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA — 7:30 p.m. production of "Annie Get You Gun," reserved seating \$15. Box office opens at 6:30

p.m. for advance ticket sales.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

ACC SPAGHETTI DINNER — 4-8 p.m., Aberdeen Community Building.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 180 — Spring Fling Dance, 8-midnight, music by Six Pack, door and raffle prizes, \$8 per person. Proceeds go to Veterans Assistance Program.

SOUTHWEST OHIO CHAPTER OF SAFARI CLUB — Dinner, 5:30 p.m., Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cincinnati, benefit wildlife conservation and education.

MASON COUNTY CONCERT CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA — 7:30 p.m. production of "Annie Get You Gun," reserved seating \$15. Box office opens at 6:30 p.m. for advance ticket sales

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

MASON COUNTY CONCERT CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA — 2:15 p.m., production of "Annie Get You Gun," open seating \$15.

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

MAYSVILLE ROTARY CLUB — 11:45 a.m., Sharyn Coe, speaker, Mothers March for Babies.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

ADAMS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT — Immunization Clinic, 1-4 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

ST. PATRICK SPRING PLAY — "Grease," April 27-29, April 27, gala dinner at 5:30 p.m., play at 7 p.m.; April 28, play at 7 p.m., and April 29, play at 2 p.m.

MOTIVATING EMPLOYEES SEMINAR — 1:30 p.m., Mason County Extension Office, 800 U.S. 68, Maysville. \$20 chamber members, and \$25 non-chamber members, price includes lunch.

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CULTURE

FROM B1

Over 110,000 Americans are on the national waiting list for a life-saving organ transplant. Statistics indicate that approximately 54% of those waiting are minorities.

Performers include: Harriett J. Groh is an outgoing individual who

sings throughout the surrounding area. During the last seven years in addition to singing she has spoken at churches and to community organizations about her "Walk with the Lord" and gives motivational and leadership talks to church youth groups and school groups.

Christy Berry is a native of Maysville and is a graduate of Morehead

State University with a BA in Recreation. She has been an employee of Comprehend, Inc. for 18 years. She is a member of Bethel Baptist Church and sings and helps direct the choir. Berry also devotes time to the Maysville Players where she has been in several plays and musicals at the Washington Opera House.

Joan Brannon, known as, "She who carries the Spirit of the DRUM", is a sacred drummer, teacher, certified facilitator and personal growth coach. Brannon has been playing percussion instruments for over 15 years and founded the drumming collectives, Sisters of the Sacred Drum and the Sacred Drum Ensemble. "Culture, Community, Connection" is a performance that incorporates traditional West African rhythms, song and dance, while also offering a glimpse into African American history and honoring the DRUM, as a connector of many cultures.

Octavia Sexton grew up in the Appalachian tradition of storytelling and her stories are rooted in the fascinating history of her family. She shares legends, tales and superstitions from her distinctive oral heritage in a delightfully exuberant performance. Her natural dialect transports the listener into the mountains of eastern Kentucky where haints chill your blood, Jack tickles your funny bone and the hills and hollers are full of surprises.

Fathead Davis was born in Tampa, Fla. and began his musical journey at the age of two when his grandfather bought him his first organ. His parents helped shape his musical career by providing him with piano lessons and private schooling. His latest album, "It All Started Yesterday," was released in 2008. Rhythm, Blues, Soul, Jazz... When you'll hear Fathead Davis you'll be tapping your feet, snapping your fingers and dancing.

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• "Annie Get Your Gun" presented by Mason County Concert Choir and Orchestra, April 20 — 22, Downtown High School Auditorium, Maysville.

• Wines of Summer with Bill Sanders, April 20, 6-8 p.m., Maysville Institute of Culinary Arts, Maysville.

• Maysville Fighters Association 5K run — 2 mile walk benefitting Alzheimer's, April 21, MFD Fire Station, Maysville.

• Tony Poe Cornhole

Tournament to benefit Hospice of Hope, April 21, O'Rourke's Pub, Maysville.

• Fathead Davis at Chandler's on Market, April 27, Maysville.

• 12th Annual Manchester Fire Department Horse Show, 2 p.m., Manchester, Ohio.

EXHIBITS

"Old Meets New: Traditional Printmaking + Digital Media" art exhibit featuring works of Ken Swinson, April 6-23, 1-4 p.m., weekends only at the Augusta Art Guild Gallery, Augusta.

If you have an item you would considered for the Entertainment page, email marla.toncray@lee.net.

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HOW YOU SEE IT

BETTER BEWARE

If we get this Romney guy in office, you might as well know if you aren't rich you have had it. He has no compassion, doesn't know anything about being poor and only if he wins it is because he had bought his way into office.

SHOCKING DISPLAY

I was terribly shocked yesterday when I saw a display on the corner of Third and Government Street in Maysville. I would think a government agency would know better than to slander a President of our country on government property. This is a disgrace to our town. Instead of letting them do this, they better be thanking God that this post office is not one of them being closed. I think there could be repercussions over this matter. For your information I am a Republican but I don't approve of this type of pressure on the public.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The post office was not responsible for the display. A group identifying itself as Larouche Pac was handing out the literature. The site may have been near the post office, which is public property. While we may not agree with the message or the messengers, we defend their right to free speech under the First Amendment.)

PROUD OF OUR DARIUS

Darius Miller won a great honor as he broke some records during the tournament.

MORE RECOGNITION

With all the records Darius Miller broke, he should have been the front page today instead of Davis. After all he is a local boy from Maysville and not a boy from Chicago. We care about our graduates and they should be recognized front and center.

BITING THE HAND

I am appalled that the local post office and postmaster in Maysville would let someone put up a table and posters to slander Obama our President. I think this is illegal and certainly in poor taste. After all the post office is run and funded with federal money and this is government property. They need to take their stuff elsewhere, this is unethical. The Maysville Postmaster should know better, but what can we expect? It is as if we live in Mayberry, USA.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See above.)



QUOTE, UNQUOTE

“He gets full credit or blame for what’s happened in this economy and what’s happened to gasoline prices under his watch and what’s happened to our schools and what’s happened to our military forces.”

— Republican candidate Mitt Romney speaking about President Obama.

“At one point she didn’t even want the wingman to go up. She said, ‘Don’t you guys think I could do this on my own? Don’t you have confidence in me?’ She was calmer than everybody on the ground. She had it totally under control.”

— Pilot James Collins talking about his 80-year-old mother, Helen Collins, landing a plane after her husband died while flying the twin-engine Cessna.

HOW THEY SEE IT

THE (CLEVELAND) PLAIN DEALER, ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN AMERICA, AND IN OHIO

“When the governor signs an executive order, it’s a pretty serious issue,” says Renee Jones. She should know. Jones is the heart and brains behind the Renee Jones Empowerment Center, a near-West Side storefront nonprofit that does street and strip-club outreach to women trying to escape the sex industry. Jones and a dedicated crew of volunteers have spent the last four years working to raise public awareness of human trafficking on the streets of Cleveland. It is an issue most people prefer to believe occurs anywhere else but here. Recently, Gov. John Kasich set them straight. “Can you tell me how a 13-year-old kid can be snatched, blackmailed, drugged, raped in our state, in our country?” Kasich asked. Kasich, the father of twin 12-year-old daughters, then ordered an interagency task force to answer that question by investigating and prosecuting traffickers, who compel people, especially minors, into prostitution or forced labor. Thirteen is the average age of children coerced into sex slavery in Ohio, according to a 2010 state report. An estimated 1,078 state juveniles are trafficked annually. Another 3,016 are considered at risk.

Such evil must not be allowed to stand. Online: <http://bit.ly/H8HlvA>

POLITICAL COMMENTARY

Etch a Sketch gaffe



DANA MILBANK



But holding that enthusiasm has been, for Romney, quite a Rubik's Cube. Inside, the candidate talked about health care, education, Iran, the economy — anything but children's toys.

ARBUTUS, Md. | It is typical of Mitt Romney's luck that, on the morning after he all but secured the Republican presidential nomination, his campaign became embroiled in a controversy over a 1950s plastic toy.

On Wednesday, hours after Romney's 12-point victory over Rick Santorum in the Illinois primary silenced most of the remaining doubters, senior adviser Eric Fehrstrom went on CNN and gave new meaning to the term “game change.”

“I think you hit a reset button for the fall campaign,” he said, explaining why the fight for conservative primary voters has not pushed Romney too far to the right. “Everything changes. It's almost like an Etch a Sketch. You can kind of shake it up and we start all over again.”

Etch a Sketch? Actually, it appeared more like Romney was playing Chutes and Ladders: He just landed on Space 87 and slid all the way back to 24. Suddenly, Romney's event at an American Legion hall here in the Baltimore suburbs was transformed from a gab session about gas prices into an Etch a Sketch fest.

Alice Stewart, a Santorum aide, brought a bagful of pocket-size Etch a Sketches and handed them out in the parking lot. “Conservative principles should be written in stone, not on Etch a Sketch,” the Santorum aide declared righteously.

You sunk my battleship! Thirty feet away, Romney was shaking hands. Reporters inquired: Would he address the toy story? “We think gas prices are more important,” spokesman Rick Gorka replied, examining the reporters' Etch a Sketches.

Santorum, who has taken Romney apart as if playing Operation, posed in his car Wednesday with the rectangular device. His campaign tweeted out the photo with the caption “(at symbol)RickSantorum studying up on (at symbol)MittRomney policy positions.”

“You take whatever he said and you can shake it up and it will be gone, and he's going to draw a whole new picture for the general election,” Santorum crowed at a campaign stop in Louisiana.

Also campaigning in Louisiana, Newt Gingrich, who has turned the trail into a round of Twister, gave an Etch a Sketch to a

young girl in the audience and told her, “You could now be a presidential candidate.”

Will Romney ever end his string of debilitating gaffes? As the Magic 8 Ball says: Outlook not so good.

After the New Hampshire primary, Romney appeared to have it made in Candy Land. But Santorum and Gingrich felled his inevitability like dominoes, and — Sorry! — Romney finds himself in a coast-to-coast game of Connect Four with competitors who were not supposed to have been in his league but who are benefiting from voters' disenchantment with him.

“That's a bunch of horse apples,” Retiree Jim Wilson said when asked about Romney's enthusiasm gap. “Look at this crowd,” he said, between puffs on his pipe.

True enough. Two hundred supporters filled the hall, with at least that many outside. “This is really something,” the candidate exulted to the overflow crowd in the parking lot.

But holding that enthusiasm has been, for Romney, quite a Rubik's Cube. Inside, the candidate talked about health care, education, Iran, the economy — anything but children's toys.

Although it was not particularly warm in the hall, Romney ended by saying that the temperature had “reached 140 in here” — and retreated while glaring at reporters shouting Etch a Sketch questions.

Realizing that he could not shake the queries, Romney returned a few minutes later for a “short Q&A,” known in the jargon as a “press avail.” It lasted 90 seconds.

“The issues I'm running on will be exactly the same,” he declared in response to an Etch a Sketch question. “I'm running as a conservative Republican. I was a conservative Republican governor.”

So he was a conservative when he enacted Romneycare?

“Can you guarantee to Republican voters that you won't take more moderate positions?” CNN's Jim Acosta asked.

“I answered the question,” Romney replied.

“An avail is more than one question, governor, if you don't mind my saying so,” Acosta told him.

Romney grinned. “This wasn't an avail. It was a chance to respond to a question I didn't get a chance to respond to.”

Sounds sketchy.

POLITICAL COMMENTARY

Why race matters in Florida murder



CLARENCE PAGE



Conservatives in particular complain that they can't be candid about race with blacks or our white liberal allies without being guilt-tripped or accused of racism.

It is customary in the wake of a major racial eruption to say that we Americans need to have a national conversation on race. Yet the fury surrounding the death of Florida teen Trayvon Martin shows why it is so hard for us to hold that conversation.

The shooting of the unarmed 17-year-old has sparked nationwide protests and reignited chatter all the way to the White House about racial profiling, gun laws, hate crime laws and even the risks of wearing a hoodie sweatshirt, especially if you're a young black male outside after dark.

Among the few undisputed facts are these: Trayvon Martin was fatally shot on the night of Feb. 26 by George Zimmerman, 28, a neighborhood watch volunteer, who thought the black youth, walking through his gated community, looked “real suspicious.” The teen turned out to be carrying nothing more sinister than a package of Skittles and a can of iced tea.

In the account Zimmerman gave police that night, which was later leaked to the Orlando Sentinel, he said that Trayvon had punched him and then repeatedly slammed his head into the sidewalk after they exchanged words in the moments before the shooting. Zimmerman's lawyer says his client was treated by paramedics at the scene for a broken nose and other injuries.

Police released Zimmerman, after he claimed he shot Trayvon in self-defense. The state's controversial “Stand Your Ground” law allows individuals to use deadly force against another person if they believe their safety or life is in danger. But in the released 911 calls, Zimmerman is heard deciding, against a dispatcher's advice, to follow Trayvon, whom he suspected was “up to no good.” Sponsors of the controversial law say such pursuit would invalidate Zimmerman's “Stand Your Ground” defense.

Also, Trayvon's girlfriend says he talked to her on his cell phone just before his death. She says she heard an exchange of words between the two men and heard the youth get pushed to the ground.

Was Trayvon the one who was standing his ground? We have a judicial system

to resolve disputes like this. A grand jury is scheduled to hear evidence on April 10. The FBI also is investigating to determine whether Trayvon's civil rights may have been violated.

We hear hints of Zimmerman's defense in his family and friends who have talked to reporters. In a letter to the Sentinel, his father, Robert Zimmerman, described his son as a nonracist child of a white father, a Hispanic mother and a multiracial family that included some black relatives. That doesn't mean he couldn't be racist, although it helps his case. If the alleged racial slur that many hear in an audio clip from his 911 call is introduced as evidence against him, he'll need all the help he can get.

All of which raises a larger question in this tragedy: How do you define “racist?” To some people, you have to be a cross-burning, hood-wearing Klansman to qualify. To others, any attempt to inject racial concerns into the public square is evidence of racism, judging by some of the mail I receive.

Conservatives in particular complain that they can't be candid about race with blacks or our white liberal allies without being guilt-tripped or accused of racism. I respect their complaint. We've all been invited to a “conversation” that turned into a one-way lecture. To avoid the guilt game, both sides have to relinquish some of their innocence. That's not easy, especially when each side sees injustice in the other.

Ironically, the election of the nation's first black or, if you prefer, biracial president has made it more difficult to talk about race. Newt Gingrich, among some other conservative commentators, even objected to President Barack Obama's mild acknowledgment of how the Florida case resonated with him personally. “If I had a son, he would look like Trayvon,” the president said. How can we deal with racism if we are so skittish about recognizing that race exists?

E-mail Clarence Page at cpage@tribune.com.

McCoy Memorial awards presented March 28

The All-County Arts and Music Festival on March 28, 2012, at West Union High School, was the scene for the presentation of the sixth annual Joan Wittenmyer McCoy Memorial Art Awards. These awards were established by her husband, Jim McCoy. Both he and his late wife were former residents of Adams County.

Mr. McCoy established a total of seven awards

to be presented to three outstanding senior art students and each of the four senior high school art instructors. The student works were exhibited and judged prior to the All-County Arts and Music Festival.

The first place award of \$300 was presented to Travis Combs of Manchester High School with a work entitled "Lightbulb." He plans on attending col-

lege to study Health and Exercise Science and then Physical Therapy. Travis is the son of David and Veronica Combs.

The second place award of \$200 went to Mary Hill of West Union High School. Mary's entry was "French Horn." She has received a \$21,000 talent-based scholarship to attend Capital University to major in vocal performance with an emphasis in Music The-

atre/Opera. Mary is the daughter of Ron and Kathie Hill.

Third place and \$100 was awarded to Kaiden Cox of Manchester High School for his work "Face." Kaiden plans on enlisting in the Navy after graduation. Kaiden is the son of Steve Cox and Melania Cox.

Jim McCoy graciously presented each of the senior high school art teachers with a check for \$150.

ADVICE

Six years of sobriety end in shock and uncertainty

DEAR ABBY: "Robert" and I met four years ago and fell head-over-heels in love. At the time, he was two years clean and sober and attending meetings. Due to his hectic work schedule, he stopped attending the meetings.



DEAR ABBY

This is not easy to do with someone you care about, and you will need all of the support you can get.

By the way, your letter arrived in the same batch as the one below. It may give you some insight:

DEAR ABBY: A few years ago I talked to my mother about her drinking. She's a binge drinker and her excuse is always, "It's my day off." I am focusing on myself and trying to figure out my life, as well, with the help of Al-Anon — the only thing that has kept me positive.

I knew that once I uttered the word "alcoholic" aloud, my relationship with my mother would forever be affected. I asked her to contact me when she was ready to quit because I can no longer enable her drinking.

I miss the mom who doesn't drink, but I can't be around her when she does. As I grow in my recovery, I may figure out how to do that. But for now, I need to put space between us.

My family is worried something drastic will happen (as her health isn't good) and I will have regrets. But I have expressed my thoughts and accepted that Mom and I may never speak again. Is that wrong? — **STILL A LOVING DAUGHTER IN WISCONSIN**

DEAR STILL A LOVING DAUGHTER: No, it's not wrong. Your mother's binge drinking was affecting her health as well as her relationship with you, and while it may have been difficult and wrenching, it was the right thing to do — for both of you. Let's hope that your strength in doing that will give her the strength to stop her alcohol binges.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

PROVIDED

TIM SIMMS GIVES DONATION TO MIKE WALTON FOR AUCTION | Southern States of Maysville donated a Husqvarna Lawn Mower, weed eater, and poly dump to the radio auction. Pictured are Mike Walton, Lions Club member and Tom Simms, employee of Southern States.



Protecting yourself from scam artists

ANGELA WILLIAMS-MITCHELL
Mason County Extension Office

Kentuckians have lost a lot as a result of the March tornadoes. As those hit the hardest begin to piece together their lives and rebuild, they should be on the lookout for those who may want to prey on their misfortune. Many times, after an area has been hit by a natural disaster, it will see an influx of scam artists and fly-by-night contractors.

Consumers can do several things to prevent becoming the victim of a scam or unscrupulous contractor. The Kentucky Office of the Attorney General says you should be weary of anyone who asks for cash for the entire job up front as this is a common practice among scam artists. Oftentimes, they will take your money and leave before starting or finishing a job. Another red flag is contractors who drive vehicles with out-of-state license plates and ask

extremely low prices for repair work.

The attorney general's Disaster Fraud Task Force suggests that communities recovering from tornadoes implement a registration program for potential contractors. Such a system would include contractors' information, require them to display a registration certificate at the work site and publicize the program so consumers know to require their contractor be registered. This can help decrease the number of unscrupulous operators in your area.

You can use these tips from the attorney general's office to further protect yourself against scam artists and fly-by-night contractors: Use local companies or repairmen; Check out unfamiliar companies through the Better Business Bureau; Demand a written contract; Get estimates for repair work from several contractors.

When deciding on a contractor, make sure the contractor is licensed, bonded and insured. The contractor needs to have proof of liability coverage and workers' compensation coverage in case any workers are injured on the job. Workers' compensation coverage is required

by state law for companies with even one part-time employee, but many companies still do not have this insurance, as carrying both it and liability insurance can be expensive for employers. If a company doesn't have workers' compensation coverage, and one of its employees is injured on your property, the employee can sue you.

To protect yourself, ask a potential contractor to give you the name of their insurance company and contact the insurance company to make sure the contractor is covered for both liability insurance and workers' compensation. Ask the insurance company for a certification that shows the contractor's coverage. The certification will have the policy number on it in the event of an accident. Homeowners can contact the Security and Compliance Division of the Kentucky Labor Cabinet at 1-800-731-5241 for any workers' compensation related questions.

If you suspect someone is a scam artist or fly-by-night contractor, you should contact local law enforcement. You can also call the Disaster Fraud Hotline at 1-855-450-5645 to report price gouging or fly-by-night contractors.

HUTCHISON FAMILY ANNOUNCES BIRTH

Jordan and Pamela Bane Hutchison are proud to announce the birth of their son, Maxwell "Max" Graham Hutchison.

Max was born March 14, 2012, at the Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington. He weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces.

He is welcomed home by one sibling, Kiersten Reece Hutchison, who is 23 months old.

Grandparents are Joe and Debbie Bane of Maysville, Donnie Hutchison of Georgetown and the late Debbie Hutchison.

Living great-grandparents and great-great-grandparents are Jim and Kathleen White of Flemingsburg, Billy and Maxine Gilkison of Versailles and Dorothy Hutchison of Georgetown.

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Bar association scholarship application period under way

The Mason-Bracken County Bar Association is pleased to announce the 12th Annual Law Day Scholarship Essay Contest. A \$250 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior from Mason County High School, Bracken County High School, St. Patrick High School or Augusta Independent High School, based upon an essay written by the

senior on the Annual Law Day theme. This year's theme is: "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom." Specific information regarding the scholarship and essay can be obtained from Delores Baker, Law Day Chairman, 134 West Third Street, Maysville, Ky. 41056. or from the Guidance Counselor in each high school. You may also call 606-564-7969.



NAVARRO-NOBLE NUPTIALS CELEBRATED MARCH 24 | Jerry Navarro and Parisanne Noble were united in marriage Saturday, March 24, 2012, at half-past six o'clock in the evening at Blue Licks Battlefield State Resort Park in Robertson County. The ceremony was officiated by Rev. Douglas Wright. There was a seated buffet dinner and reception held at the park on the eve of the wedding.

FAMILY CIRCUS

by Bil Keane



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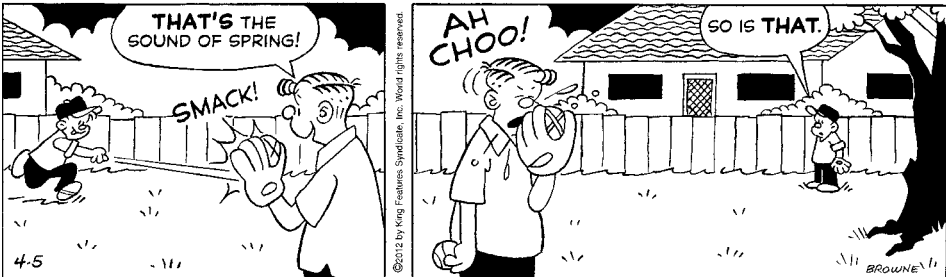
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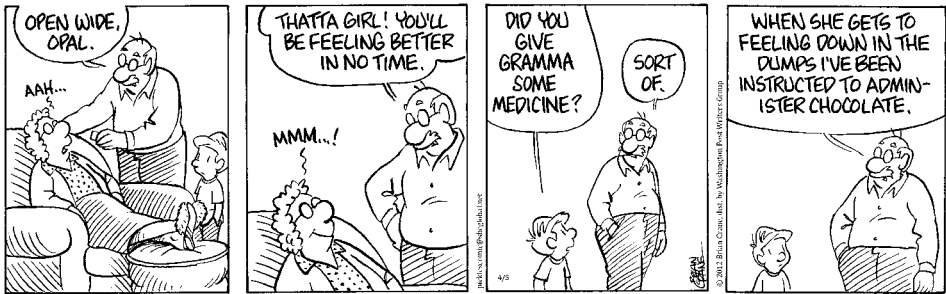
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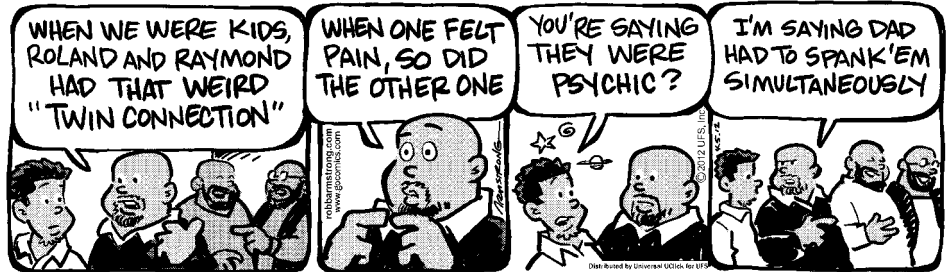
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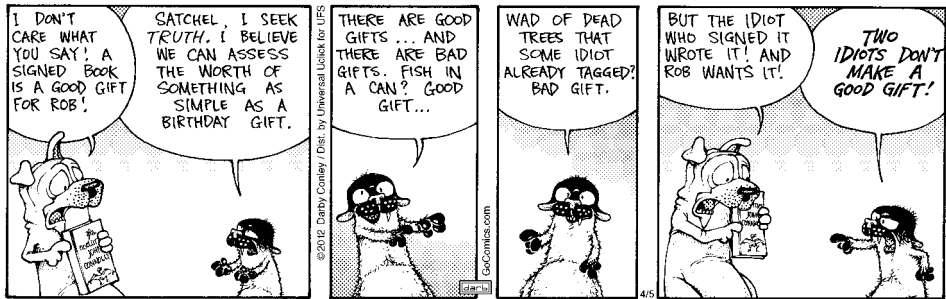
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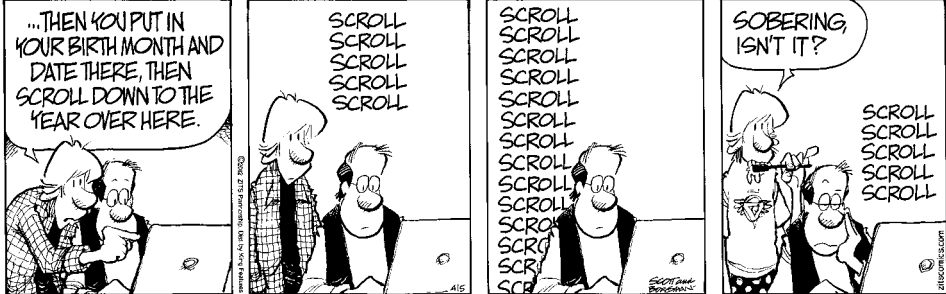
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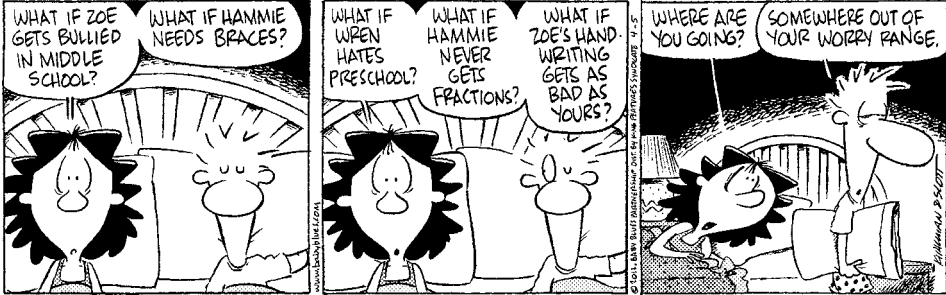
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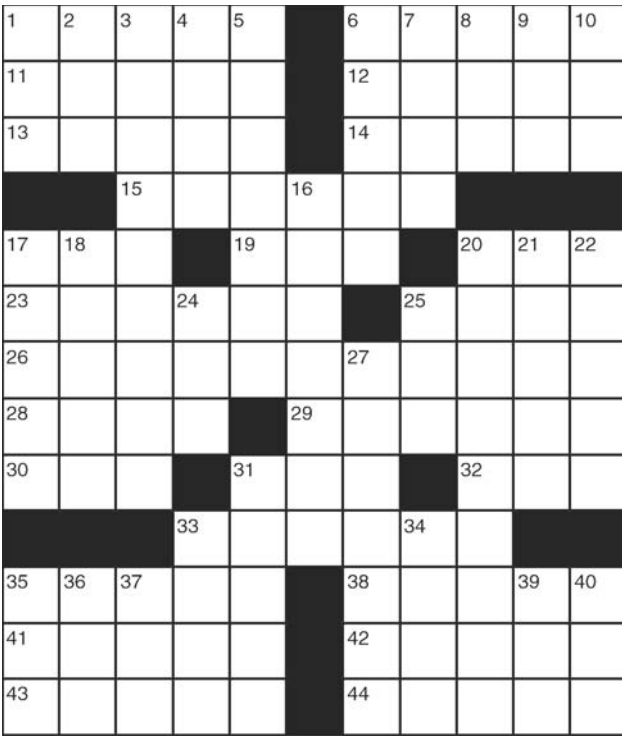
CROSSWORD by Thomas Joseph

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- 12 Half of Hispaniola
- 13 Symbol on a Jolly Roger
- 14 Almanac section
- 15 Galahad's mother
- 17 Beans buy
- 19 Sow site
- 20 Diet no-no
- 23 Homes
- 25 Deep mud
- 26 Poem starter
- 28 Flat
- 29 Map key
- 30 "Sure thing!"
- 31 One heart, e.g.
- 32 Cow chow
- 33 Magic word
- 35 Radium discoverer
- 38 Puccini opera
- 41 Practical
- 42 Provinces
- 43 Spoil
- 44 Takes a break

DOWN

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- 17 Music's Mariah
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- 20 Hydrant attachments



4-5

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- 24 Comfy room
- 25 Sister of Jo
- 27 Soviet symbol
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- 33 Galileo's home
- 34 Ripped
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- 36 Sky sighting
- 37 Massage
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YESTERDAY'S ANSWER



BRIDGE by Steve Becker

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH		EAST	
♠	A K J 8 4	♥	Q 9 5 3 2
♥	J 10	♦	7 6 3
♦	Q 7	♣	K 5 3
♣	K J 10 3	♠	8 4
WEST		SOUTH	
♠	10 7	♥	6
♥	A K Q 9 8	♦	5 4 2
♦	6	♠	A J 10 9 8 4 2
♣	9 7 6 5 2	♣	A Q

The bidding:
South 1♦ West 1♥ North 1♠ East Pass
2♦ Pass 3♦ Pass
3♦ Pass 5♦ Pass
Opening lead — king of hearts.

It is sometimes necessary for a defender to lie to his partner. While bridge is undeniably

a partnership game, it is also true that if the only way to get your partner to do what you want him to do is to lie, you do it.

Take this case where North-South reached five diamonds on the bidding shown. Let's say you're East and your partner leads the king of hearts. After dummy appears, you have to decide how your side can collect three tricks. With your king of diamonds situated in front of South's diamonds, it doesn't look like there's much you can do. Yet, if you're on your toes, you can defeat the contract.

You start by playing the seven of hearts on partner's king. When West continues with

the ace of hearts, you play the three. It's true that by playing high-low in hearts, you're indicating a doubleton. To that extent you're deceiving partner.

But your little white lie pays off handsomely when partner next leads the queen of hearts, forcing declarer to ruff in dummy. As a result, declarer can take only one diamond finesse instead of two, so you eventually score a trick with the king to set the contract. However, if you hadn't told an untruth by playing high-low initially, West probably would not have led a heart at trick three, and your king of diamonds would never have seen the light of day.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.

HOROSCOPE by Frances Drake

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

Be careful in your communication with others today, because your idealism is so strong that you might overlook someone's bad behavior. Stay in touch with your own standards.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

You're tempted to spend money on elegant, luxurious things today. (And you do love antiques and beautiful things, plus you are a collector.) Be sensible.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

You want to have a good time today. Not only that, but you want others to have a good time, too. That's why this is an excellent day to explore parties, socializing with others and sports events.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

You feel quite selfless today, which is why you are prepared to put the interests or needs of someone else before your own. This might not be a bad idea; after all, what goes around, comes around.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

You'll find it rewarding working with others for charitable causes today. Or perhaps personally, you want to help a friend or someone you know.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

Romance with a boss or someone older or richer might begin today. Or perhaps you just have a secret crush on someone?

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Your appreciation for beauty is heightened today. Therefore, give yourself a chance to enjoy beautiful places, museums, art galleries and parks. This will delight you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Romance is especially sweet today. When it comes to business matters, be very careful if you are dividing something. Don't give away the farm.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Discussions with partners and close

friends are mutually sympathetic today. You want to help others, and they want to help you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

A co-worker might ask for your assistance today or, vice versa, you might need help from someone. Either way, everyone is prepared to go more than halfway for each other.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

You feel especially tenderhearted regarding the needs of children today. Artists will find today inspiring because they feel they are in touch with their muse.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20)

You have big ideas about how you want to redecorate or make where you live look more attractive. The only downside to all of this today is that these ideas might not be practical. (Caution.)

YOU BORN TODAY

You are successful because you're hardworking. You have a natural sense of authority about you. (Many of you have a star quality.) You like to find a profession and stay with it. Honesty and integrity matter to you. You have excellent powers of concentration. A very fortunate year ahead awaits you, that could be one of the most powerful years of your life!

CRYPTOGRAM

by Bob Johnson and Mary Margolies

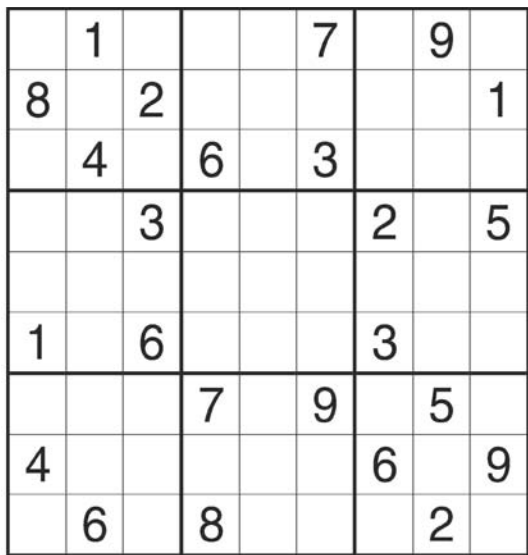
AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

4-5 CRYPTOQUOTE
VQ IFECQ GYJQAM RP YJQLA
RQJSHLGA VQ IFECQ
GFAMQTHQM RP GFA

LUYQUYLGM. — LSU ZQAWP
Yesterday's Cryptquote: CHAOS IS A NAME FOR ANY ORDER THAT PRODUCES CONFUSION IN OUR MINDS. — GEORGE SANTAYANA

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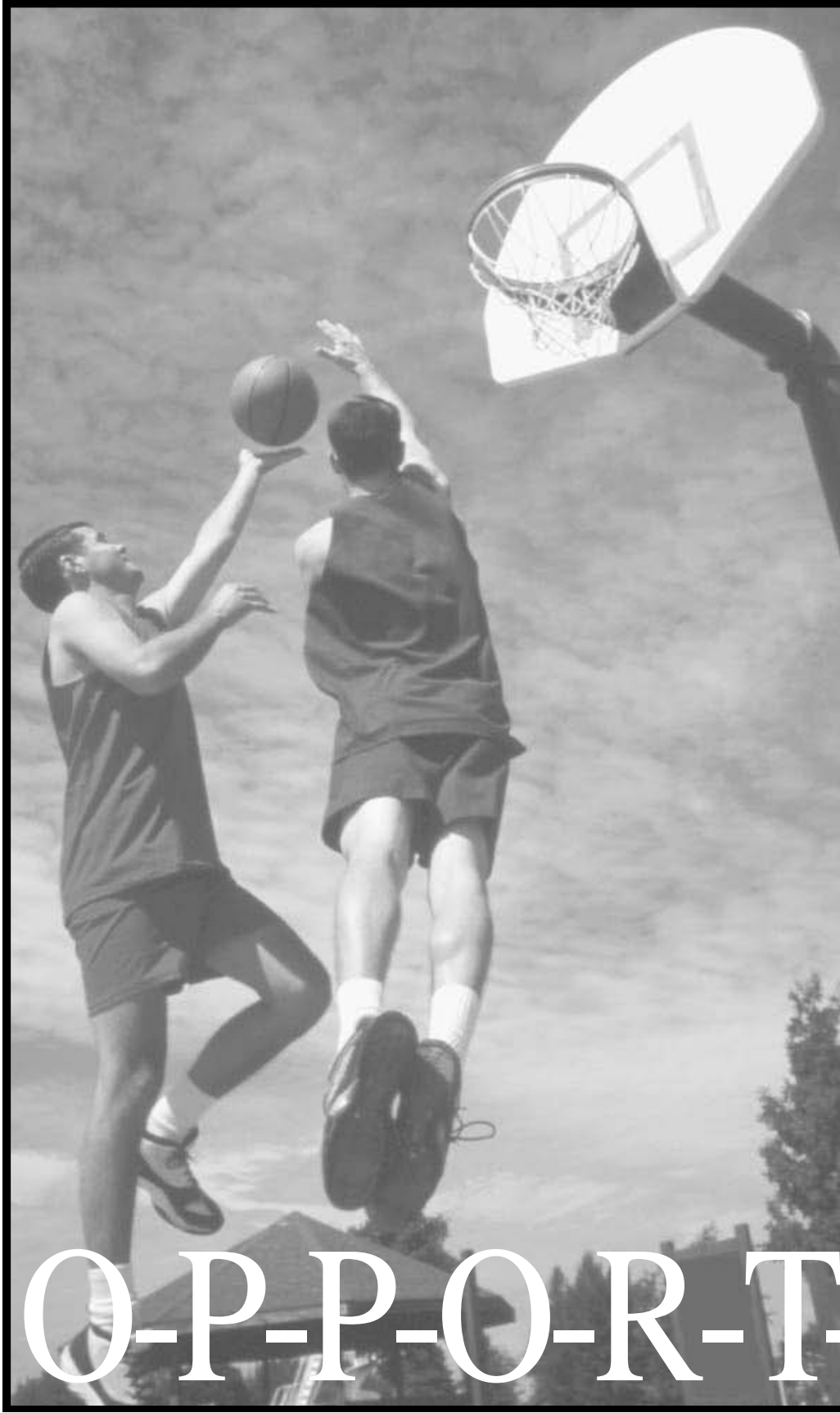
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• **Saturday**
10:00AM Women Getting Well at the Mason Co. Library, 218 E. 3rd St. Maysville, Ky.
• **Sunday**
10:00AM - Sunday Morning Serenity Group, 829 E. Walnut Street, West Union, OH
6:30PM - 4th Dimension Group, basement of Presbyterian Church Stanley Reed Court

• **Monday**
6:30PM - 8-Up Group Hunter House, Episcopal Church
• **Wednesday**
12:00PM- Lunchtime Serenity Presbyterian Church, 3rd and Stanley Reed Court, Maysville, Ky.
8:00 PM- Flemingsburg Group, St. Charles Church, 120 Mt. Carmel St. Flemingsburg, Ky

• **Thursday**
7:00PM- New Beginnings Group, Hunter House, Episcopal Church

• **Friday**
8:00PM Road To Recovery, Episcopal Church, Corner of Third & Limestone, Maysville, Ky
8:00PM- Mt. Olivet Group Main Street next to Post Office.
• **Friday 7:30pm - 8:30pm** Friday Night Miracles at The Beebe Chapel, 438 Main St., Ripely Ohio

• **Saturday**
8:00PM- Pioneer Group, Methodist Church, Brooksville, Ky

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• **Monday**
Noon Friends of Jimmy K., Mason Co. Health Dept., 2nd Floor, Maysville, Ky
6PM New Beginnings, 101 3rd St., Vanceburg, Ky
8PM Spiritual Solutions Group Hunter House, Episcopal Church.
• **Tuesday**
6PM New Beginnings, 101 3rd St. Vanceburg, Ky
7PM 2343 Bypass, Flemingsburg, Ky.
7PM Living In Reality Group, basement of First Presbyterian Church, Stanley Reed Court, Maysville, Ky
7PM How and Why Group, Bracken Co. Public Library, Brooksville, Ky
• **Wednesday**
Noon Friends of Jimmy K., Mason Co. Health Dept., 2nd Floor, Maysville, Ky
7PM "Welcome Home" Mason Co Public Library, 218 E. 3rd St., Maysville, Ky
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• **Thursday**
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7 PM 2343 Bypass, Flemingsburg, Ky
• **Saturday**
7pm "Welcome Home" Mason Co. Public Library, 218 E. 3rd St., Maysville, Ky
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All items will be sold "as is" with no guarantees or warranties expressed or implied.

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We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring or testing for lowest daily chlorine residual and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time

What should I do ?

There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, how often we are supposed to sample for the lowest daily chloring residual, how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which follow-up samples were (or will be) taken.

Contaminant	Required Sampling Frequency	Number of Samples taken	When samples Should have Been taken	When samples Were taken
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	31	Daily in January 2011	Daily in January 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	28	Daily in February 2011	Daily in February 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	31	Daily in March 2011	Daily in March 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	30	Daily in April 2011	Daily in April 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	31	Daily in May 2011	Daily in May 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	31	Daily in July 2011	Daily in July 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	31	Daily in September 2011	Daily in September 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	31	Daily in October 2011	Daily in October 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	30	Daily in November 2011	Daily in November 2011
Lowest Daily Chlorine Residual	Daily	31	Daily in December 2011	Daily in December 2011

What is being done?

Western Lewis-Rectorville Water and Gas District has talked with the Division of Water and sending this to our customers and putting it in the paper is the correct action that needs to be taken.

For more information, please contact Melissa Dixon at 606-564-4449 or 8044 Ky 3161, Maysville, Ky 41056.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

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